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Jackrabbit participants, Ariel Leavitt, front, and Joseph Williams get a helping hand from volunteer instructor Jack Simpson during a post-instruction tug o' war with other participants at Glebe Park in Haliburton on Saturday, Jan. 7. See more photos on page 25.
Darren Lum Staff

Reaction mixed to arts website

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

A new website aimed at selling items made in Haliburton has some artists questioning its value.

The concept was unveiled on Jan. 5 to a full house at Wild Moose by the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands and Don and Marie Gage, the pair responsible for the project's concept.

Marketed as Haliburton's online gallery, MadeinHaliburton.ca is a website that will feature visual, performance and literary items that were created in the Highlands.

Conceived by the Gages, the couple approached the board of the arts council with the idea that would give artists an additional venue to sell their product.

The project is being made possible through a \$47,600 grant from the Ministry of Tourism and Culture's Cultural Strategic Investment Fund, applied for by the arts council.

"After the idea was presented and we received the grant we started rolling with the project," said Chris Lynd, vice chair of the arts council board of directors.

The arts council became involved because the initiative focused on the organization's primary mandates, which include the promotion of the arts, working within the community and acting as a catalyst for economic development, Lynd said.

"The arts council is in the driver's seat," Marie Gage said.

To fulfill the requirements for the grant, the initiative had to meet certain criteria, including establishing partnerships within the community with non-profit and private businesses.

Partners in the initiative include the arts council, which will be coordinating the project; Don and Marie Gage, owners and operators of the MadeinHaliburton.ca web-

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Municipal vehicle gets plowed over by SUV on Highway 118

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

A motor grader and an SUV suffered major damage in an accident that occurred between the two vehicles on Jan. 6. The collision took place at approximately 11:30 a.m. on

Highway 118 at Jim Beef Lake Road.

Both vehicles were travelling west, with the SUV following behind the grader belonging to the municipality of Dysart et al.

The SUV pulled out from behind the grader in an attempt to pass the vehicle, according to Dysart firefighters on the scene. The driver of the SUV failed to notice the grader's

signal light, indicating he intended to turn left onto Jim Beef Lake Road, they said

As a result the two collided, with the plow being torn right off the front of the municipal vehicle.

There were no major injuries sustained from the crash, with neither driver taken to hospital.

Fire, EMS and OPP personnel attended the scene.



Dysart firefighters and EMS personnel attend an accident on Highway 118 after a municipal snowplow and an SUV collided on Jan. 6. The accident tore the plow off from the front of the vehicle. There were no major injuries in the crash.



Dysart firefighters clean up the debris on Highway 118 left after a municipal snowplow and an SUV collided on Jan. 6.

Alcohol a factor in fatal crashes

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Police have confirmed that alcohol was a factor in the deaths of two men in the county last summer.

Adam Richards and Josh Rewa both died in vehicle crashes during the summer, Richards crashing off Little Hawk Lake Road on the afternoon of July 2 and Rewa hitting a utility pole on County Road 14 in the early morning hours of Aug. 21.

Const. Sandy Adams told the paper the OPP do not make

blood-alcohol levels public information in these cases.

In cases of fatal collision, as with any autopsy, blood and urine samples are taken and sent for toxicology tests at the province's Centre for Forensic Sciences.

Depending on priority, it can take a number of weeks to receive results.

The Highlands Weekender

January 12, 2012

Evidence:
a group photography exhibition

By Laurie Carmichael, curator
Agnes Jamieson Gallery, Minden

It has always been one of those things on a 'to do' list for me to have Dennis Lam exhibit his photography at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery. He has come and gone and returned again to Haliburton County and as an integral photo journalist, but few may realize that Lam is a talented photographer who has garnered several provincial and national newspaper awards. His work has appeared in the Toronto Star, Toronto Sun and CTV Today, London Free Press and wire-services such as the Canadian Press. He has more than 10 years of experience working in the field of journalism.

Things fell into place after the Canadian Period Landscape exhibition, now three years ago, when I saw the work of Ryan Sault, a photographer from Toronto. His work was very moving and I wondered if there was a way to bring these two artists, Lam and Sault, together. This is the first part of a series.

When I spoke with Lam about finally pinning him down for an exhibition, and what would be the theme, would involve, was the deciding factor as to what this exhibition would be. Dennis had an idea that he had always wanted to try and oddly enough, it fit with what I saw Sault doing in his work.

I was intrigued with the idea that photography can be a very powerful tool. Society today often considers it to be the ultimate form of documentation. The affect photography had on the art world was immense as it caused artists to not only see the world as it is, but as they perceived it. Why do we see what we see, as artists, as a society, perceive what we see, as hosted at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden from Jan. 5 to Jan. 12, 2012. The show will be a click of a button. A beautiful photo.

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New agreement for health unit, CUPE

The local health unit approved a new four-year collective agreement with its staff represented by the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE).

The board of health for the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit approved the contract at its Dec. 15 meeting.

Under the agreement, CUPE staff will receive the following salary increases:

- Jan. 1, 2012 – one per cent
- July 1, 2012 – one per cent
- Jan. 1, 2013 – one per cent
- July 1, 2013 – one per cent
- Jan. 1, 2014 – 2.25 per cent
- Jan. 1, 2015 – 2.25 per cent

CUPE represents approximately 90 employees who work as public health

inspectors, dietitians, administrative staff, health promoters, dental hygienists and communications staff.

"We were very pleased to have reached a four year agreement with CUPE," said Susan Bickle, director of administration and human resources with the health unit.

"This new contract provides us with some stability for the next four years and provides our CUPE staff with an increase after seeing no salary increases in the last negotiated contract."

Bickle said the health unit has been working hard as an organization to be fiscally responsible during tight economic times and stay within the allocated funding provided by the province.

Website to bring artists to global market

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site; The Art Hive, which will host four week-long exhibits featuring the work of artists involved with the website; Parker Pad and Printing, which will ship the items purchased from the website; and TheRightEyedDeer Press, which will be responsible for writing 12 feature articles for the website spotlighting participating artists.

The government funding will cover the costs for the first year of the project, with 50 per cent going towards developing the website and remaining funds going towards The Art Hive, TheRightEyedDeer Press, operating costs incurred by the Arts Council~ Haliburton Highlands and photography equipment.

Once the funding contract with the government ends, which will be in October of this year, MadeinHaliburton.ca will become a private business owned and operated by the Gages, with the arts council becoming a "quiet" partner in the project.

"There are no plans for year two at this point," Lynd said.

A steering committee was formed to help facilitate the project.

"The steering committee has been working diligently on this project," Lynd said.

According to the arts council, the committee will manage the creation of a logo, design and creation of the website and selection of the artists who display their work on the site. Artists wishing to sell their work on the website must be members of the arts council.

The website will generate a stream of income through a \$25 membership fee paid by participating artists per year and commission on the sale of products.

The arts council will continue to collect the yearly fee after the grant period has expired.

Unlike other websites, such as popular arts and crafts store Etsy.com, the Gages promise MadeinHaliburton.ca will be a full-service, online gallery and marketplace offering services such as photography, payment processing and shipping.

With a focus on Haliburton, it will be a driving force of exhibiting work made in the Highlands to an international market, Marie said.

"We will do the work of selling, freeing you up to create," she said.

The website is expected to launch on March 1, 2012.

A MadeinHaliburton.ca logo created by Richard MacArthur was unveiled by the Gages during the presentation, designed and created to be used on the website.



Angelica Blenich Staff

Above, creator of MadeinHaliburton.ca Marie Gage explains the concept of the website at Wild Moose on Jan. 5.



The MadeinHaliburton.ca logo was debuted on Jan. 5 at the Wild Moose. The logo goes with a website that will specialize in selling items made in the Haliburton Highlands.

The couple outlined the many benefits of e-commerce and how their website would be beneficial for marketing Haliburton County.

"You can't say that art isn't selling online," Marie said.

The Gages would be receiving 30 per cent commission from goods sold on the website, a rate they hope to maintain.

"Our research shows similar sites charge 50 per cent commission, we're hoping we won't have to go there," Marie said.

There would be no additional charge on photography services during the first year of operation, a feature that would be revisited in a year's time.

Artists participating in the website will receive a monthly cheque from the Gages

from the profits of items sold.

To get involved, an artist would be required to fill out an application form with detailed information about themselves, their career and their products.

Once completed, the steering committee would review each applicant and either accept them immediately, request additional information or work or seek advice from an expert in their specific medium of art.

Upon acceptance, a contract is signed between the artist and MadeinHaliburton.ca. Work must meet certain criteria, including it can't be an imitation of another's work and it must be made in Haliburton.

A number of those in attendance questioned the 30 per cent commission fee,

bringing up the difference from a 3.5 per cent fee with website Etsy.

"Etsy is not a full-service site like ours," Marie said.

"Is there a limit to the number of items you can sell?" asked Debbie Wales, a local potter.

Marie responded that it would probably be feasible to begin by selling 10 items and go from there.

Other artists questioned how this website would differ from the methods they are taking to sell their art.

"As artists we're already selling, how will you be marketing, what are the benefits?" Jennifer Wanless-Craig asked.

The website would offer a convenience factor, Marie said.

"I think it's important to note that this is not replacing what you're doing [as an artist], it's in addition to what you're doing," musician Carl Dixon said.

Other artists agreed MadeinHaliburton.ca would create another avenue to sell their products.

Plans to expand the website to include gift certificates would be considered down the road, Marie said.

Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce president Eric Thompson inquired as to whether this website would deter visitors from coming to the Highlands, as some businesses such as accommodators and restaurants relied on incoming traffic.

"I don't believe so, I believe it will entice more people to come up to the area," Marie said.

Local artist Tom Green questioned how the partnerships were chosen and whether there were any conflicts of interest.

"We had two weeks to put it all together," said Donna Gagnon, coordinator for the arts council.

Gagnon emphasized despite involvement from board members like Parker and her husband Doug Pugh, the organization is very sensitive to conflicts.

While questions buzzed throughout the room others recognized the potential with such a venture.

"This is leading edge stuff," said Barrie Martin, owner of Yours Outdoors.

The steering committee consists of Donna Gagnon, arts council coordinator; Chris Lynd, vice chair of the arts council board of directors; Heidi Hudspeth, member of the arts council board of directors; Don and Marie Gage; Sandi Luck, member of The Art Hive; Janis Parker or Parker Pad and Printing; and Doug Pugh of the TheRightEyedDeer Press.



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Libraries growing in every respect

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

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It might not have been exactly articulated like that, but there isn't a truer sentiment a few years after the construction of the new library branches in Dysart Township and Minden Hills.

The numbers are undeniable with an increase to cardholders, items circulated and collection sizes for not only Dysart and Minden, but also the entire branch network that includes Cardiff, Dorset, Gooderham, Highland Grove, Stanhope and Wilberforce.

Bessie Sullivan, CEO/county librarian of the Haliburton County Public Library, attributes the steady surge of popularity to the raised awareness of the library through different community groups and the obvious benefits of the new buildings and everything that entails from more physical space to up-to-date facilities.

"When you build two libraries that increase your size like we did that's going to have a difference," Sullivan said.

Minden, in particular, has seen a steady increase despite not matching Dysart's numbers, which she attributes mainly to location.

Minden jumped by about 3,000 items in circulation this year compared to last year while its neighbour, Dysart, saw just a nominal increase of 1,033 items. However Dysart remains tops in this category with a circulation of 55,993 to Minden's 36,599 items.

The overall circulation for all eight branches has practically doubled in three years from 67,890 in 2008 to 134,659 in 2011.

During this same period the number of cardholders grew by 2,948 in that same period.

The overall collection at the libraries has steadily risen from 34,732 in 2008 to 44,921 in 2011.

This past year the collection also includes electronic resources such as e-books and downloadable audio

available online.

Although there is no specific data related to seasonal users, Sullivan said she aimed to raise awareness to seasonal users about access to library service with a mobile tour, presenting information to cottage associations last year.

"They don't understand that their taxes do buy them a right to a library card," she said. "That's our biggest hurdle is convincing them."

Sullivan though, recognizes there is a spike in usage in July and August, which works out to an average of more than 16,000 from the usual average of 11,000 circulation.

Public awareness has definitely helped the increase of popularity, she said.

"Since I've been around we've had incredible cooperation of basically 35 community groups getting the word out about us. That's helped," she said.

Sullivan has worked for the library network for the past three years.

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Haliburton hospital still restricting visits

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Visitation to the Haliburton hospital continues to be limited as symptoms of the Noro virus are still lingering within the facility.

As of Jan. 4, one patient was still exhibiting signs of the virus, said Haliburton Highlands Health Services CEO Paul Rosebush said.

To date there have been no new confirmed cases of the virus, said Rosebush.

The virus was first detected amongst four of the hospital's patients in the acute care department on Dec. 23. Since then only one patient remains symptomatic.

The virus is similar to a stomach flu, with those affected suffering from vomiting and diarrhea.

Access to the acute care department of the hospital still

remains limited, as family members are only allowed to visit on an emergency basis.

The outbreak has had no effect on the emergency department, said Rosebush.

"The ER hasn't been affected ... people can still go there," he said.

Once all hospital patients are free from symptoms of the highly contagious virus the suspension will be lifted following a period of three days.

While some staff members have taken sick leave during the outbreak there have been no confirmed cases of the virus amongst personnel, said Rosebush.

As well personal residences have not been affected.

The CEO is hopeful it won't be long before the hospital is open to visitation once again.

"It's right on the cusp of being over, we're just watching it closely. We're almost there," said Rosebush.

To date the outbreak has only appeared at the Haliburton hospital.

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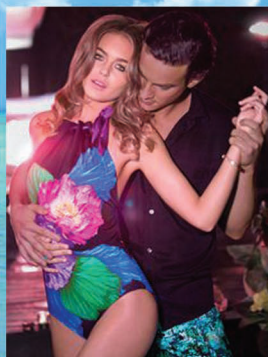
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points of view

Made in Haliburton

THE MADEINHALIBURTON.CA concept, as controversial as it is, is a good one.

That's not to say, however, its success is assured.

The new website was introduced to the community at large at a meeting Thursday of last week where discussion lasted more than two hours.

Funded by a \$47,600 provincial grant, MadeInHaliburton.ca will function as an online marketplace for the county's artists (including performance, literary and visual, among others) to sell their wares to a global audience.

The project was facilitated by the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands and is being developed by Don and Marie Gage, who came up with the idea.

Aside from being paid about \$23,800 to create the website (which will include photographs of the work, online payment options and shipping), the Gages will be paid a 30 per cent commission on sales.

About 65 people came to the information session for the site and there were several questions surrounding its implementation, including how artists will be selected, who was invited to be involved in the project's launch and whether it will actually help local artists.

Supporters of the project pointed out at the meeting that the site could enhance sales for artists, introduce new people to the Highlands and give artists a web presence that they may not yet have.

Aside from the arts community, the fate of the site matters to the general public for two reasons: one, it was funded with tax dollars through the Ministry of Tourism and Culture; and two, it showcases this county's arts to a

global audience.

While representation and payment are internal issues to arts council members, the wider public needs to see a professional website that both generates income for local residents (thus stimulating the economy) and well represents the arts of the Highlands.

Ultimately, it's in the hands of the arts council and the individual artists.

With their support, MadeInHaliburton.ca could flourish and at the very least be a functioning portal for online sales.

If they give it a cool reception, it will fizzle, becoming a rather expensive taxpayer-funded foray into online commerce.

The money's been allocated, the players are in place; let's hope for the best.



Jenn Watt
Editor



Winter tree

photo by Darren Lum

Carpets and other things you can thank hunters for

A WHILE BACK, someone asked me how hunting benefits society. Somewhat annoyed, I replied that hunting is a proven conservation tool, a healthy activity enjoyed by millions and that wild game is good for you.

But this morning, as I put my bare feet on the cold floor, I was reminded of hunting's greatest contribution to mankind. Yes, I'm referring to the throw rug.

Before hunting, cave floors in winter were cold places to place bare feet upon. This meant that the women of the tribe would spend endless hours placing frigid tootsies on warm parts of their men. This, I suspect, was all that was needed to get us out of bed and into the woods each morning – and I imagine it also put us in the mood to throw rocks and spears at things. And so hunting was born.

Shortly after, hunters realized that, if they were to ever justify the cost of several new spears and a two-week vacation from gathering grubs each fall, they had better make good use of the animal.

So they attempted to eat it.

This soon led to the discovery that fur tastes horrible. So, in typical hunter fashion, we skinned the beast and discarded the fur on the cave floor. But, just as the women of the tribe gathered en masse to demand that we take this outside, one of the wives stepped on the fur – in this case a rabbit's – and decided that, not only was

it warmer than the cold floor, but it also complimented the matching bone lamps she got for a wedding present. The only problem was the size.

Before long, hunters were bringing home bigger animals with hides that suited their mate's fickle decorating tastes. This, by the way, also led to the concept of rearranging the living room – a sport that women enjoy to this day.

It was this simple development that jump-started civilization – I'm guessing.

The very fact that some cave women had their men do nothing but move stone furniture all day caused ancient man to invent logs benches which could be rolled and were lighter when hollowed out – and, when their women threw these into the river because they didn't offset the wild boar wall hanging, the boat was born.

This led to the age of exploration, which, if the truth were to be told, was actually just a cover story for prolonged fishing trips. And these gave us a much-needed break from rearranging living rooms.

The point is that ever since the accidental discovery of throw rugs, hunters have been helping civilization move forward. If not for us, there would be no duck calls, for instance.

There's no need to thank us. We hunters are happy to help with just about anything – so long as it doesn't involve rearranging the living room.



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Holding on

VERA WATCHED WITH INTEREST as Kate scrambled from the car's front seat into the back, narrowly missing a kick to her dog's head before emerging through the rear passenger door. Red faced from this exertion executed in a snowmobile suit, Kate stood on the sidewalk and caught her breath. After a moment she looked over at Vera and smiled. "Let me tell you about my day," she began. Her cheeks were still flushed, though Vera couldn't be sure if this was due to Kate's car seat contortions or the north wind that cracked through the trees.

"Why don't we go inside for a cup of tea to warm up while we chat?" suggested Vera. Her nose had gone numb in the few minutes she had been standing outside the restaurant.



Sharon Lynch
Down our Road

Nodding agreement, Kate followed Vera into the cozy warmth behind the green doors. As usual the place was packed, pools of melt water standing patchwork across the vinyl floor. They picked a booth near the window so Kate could keep an eye on her dog and the two friends shrugged out of their jackets, Kate leaving her lower outer-wear intact. After ordering tea and apple pie, they settled comfortably across from each other. "You were going to tell me about your day," encouraged Vera with interest.

It had started as the usual day in early January when the weather has gone from mild to malevolent overnight. It took Kate an hour to remove enough snow to drive her vehicle out her driveway. Although she had started her car to clear the windshield she still had to scrape and gouge at the thick ice build-up. You would think all this exercise would have kept her warm but the bitter wind only worked against her. All this for a trip to town, she thought, wondering if she might put the journey off even while knowing she could not.

Sally the dog was to accompany her because Sally managed to get into all kinds of mischief when left alone in the house. The last time she had found Kate's store of honey, eaten the whole kilo of liquid gold and then promptly thrown up across Kate's bed and computer keyboard. So now wherever Kate went, so did Sally.

However being in the car was no guarantee that Sally would behave. She was astonishingly quick and had been known to bolt at the slightest opportunity, always in search of adventure. Kate will never forget the hot summer day she followed Sally in hot pursuit through the landfill site. And because Kate almost always bought food when she journeyed to town, Sally had to be kept away from the groceries. This was hard to do in a hatchback so Kate found the answer was to tie Sally in the backseat.

Finally all was taken care of and Kate sat down behind the wheel, pulling the car door closed as she did. No click. She pushed open the door and pulled it shut again. Nothing. Half a dozen repeats produced the same result. She tried poking the locking mechanism with a screw driver but that did no good. Perhaps the door would somehow right itself after the car had been driven for a while, she thought hopefully. But she went back into the house and changed into warmer clothes, just in case.

All the way into town Kate drove with one hand on the wheel, the other holding her door shut. She could feel and hear the cold air whistling beside her and the snow-covered curves were particularly tricky. Sally tied in the backseat panted nervously.

The first place Kate headed upon her arrival was the hardware store but in the end all she was able to acquire was a rope. The staff was sympathetic but not very helpful. So Kate tied her door to the passenger's door, pulling the rope as taut as possible, stretching in front of her like a tightrope. Then she climbed in the back seat, over the front and wedged herself in without disturbing her temporary solution. This gymnastic workout was repeated at several locales before ending up in front of the restaurant.

"What are you going to do?" asked Vera, exhausted just hearing this tale. The apple pie had disappeared long ago and she was wondering about another cup of tea.

"I don't know," came the reply. "I guess I'll just hold on until it's fixed. Not a bad life philosophy either, is it?"



pic of the past

Halls Lake. Submitted by Grant and Mary McCracken. If you have a pic of the past you'd like to submit, bring it to the *Echo* at 146 Highland Street.

letters to the editor

We are close to being broke

To the Editor,

Re: Rick Johnson letter in *Echo* Dec. 27/11

With regards to Rick Johnson's letter in the *Echo* on Dec. 27 Laurie Scott did vote against the throne speech in the best interest of her constituents.

Spending under the Liberals has gone up 70 per cent since elected in 2003, mostly with borrowed money. We have gone from a have to a have-not province and we are close to being broke.

Of the 14 points he cited from the throne speech eight come with a price tag. I don't know how he runs his household budget, but I would guess that in this riding the vast majority do not spend what they don't have.

We also know in this riding that if you borrow money it has to be paid back with interest and the way things are going according to most financial experts, our debt will double by 2016-17. The government says it will find \$200 million in savings at major agencies by 2014 so what cuts are going to be made?

Green energy is a great idea with a huge price tag but even the auditor general says that no economic analysis or business case was done to determine the appropriateness of the Samsung deal.

The government, which mean us, is now on the hook for construction, breaking of contract and dismantling of a gas power plant. This was announced by Mr. McGuinty eight days before the election that it would be cancelled which would appear was done for

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Meet me at the station

To the Editor,

Re: Rail trail strategy process

Being born in Haliburton in 1930, (the son of a railway employee) I lived and worked a lot of "real life" strategies on the 56 mile Haliburton sub to Lindsay before I was 20 years old.

On Jan. 1, 1936 (age 5 years) I attended S.S. #6 Snowdon School - approximately three miles south of Gelert (Lower Dutch Line) and lived with my grandmother.

Greta Burk of Haliburton was the teacher at the aforementioned school during 1936 and 1937 and boarded with Arnold and Clara McElwain.

On respective weekends we would "flag" the train at the Lower Dutch Line for a ride to Haliburton.

They would also stop and let us off very early on a Monday morning when returning from Haliburton.

We lived on the I.B.&O. (Irondale Bancroft Ottawa Railway line) as well prior to 1942.

In 1943, we moved into the railway dwelling built by the Victoria Railway in 1878.

This was at a time when the railway was an essential service of a country at war.

In 1947, as a teenager I worked in maintenance of way - seven-mile section between Gelert and Kinmount.

In 1948, as a teenager I worked on a section at Feneion Falls between Burnt River and Cameron.

In 1949, my father moved to Gelert and into a second company dwelling built by the Victoria Railway in

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letters

Look out for our pockets

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votes and by the way, continued to be built 8 weeks after the election. We have yet to hear how much all this will cost.

If Mr. Johnson is going to continue to speak out for the residents in HKLB, he should not do it in a partisan way but look out for our pockets and speak out against the way this government is spending our money.

C. McNabb
Haliburton

Railway used to be an essential service

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1878.

1949 and until August 1950, I trained in telegraphy and railroad in Kinmount.

The agent at Kinmount had a telegraph set in his home near the station and we were on line through to Toronto.

I lived with the agent Bob Blair and went to bed at night often listening to Gordon Tobin, agent, Haliburton sending press to a newspaper wire desk -Toronto for a correspondent in Haliburton.

In 1950/51 I worked as a railroad telegrapher in NI Office - Lindsay - the domain of the assistant superintendent and train dispatching office of telegraphic train orders on the Haliburton sub and numerous other subdivisions in Victoria County. Nothing moved without a train order.

You will never develop a strategy to replace what has been lost.

Gren Schrader

Turn off the TVs, turn on the community!

To the Editor,

On Dec. 22, the Haliburton HHSS drama students hosted the eighth annual Tributes Talent Showcase: In The Spirit Of Community.

This united effort and variety showcase featured musicians, artists, actors, singers and dancers of all ages - a truly inspiring collaboration of entertainment and talent and raised \$1,300 for the HHSS Ladies Auxiliary and two local charities.

The HHSS Class Acts students and teachers would like to extend a heartfelt appreciation to the community performers who shared the stage on this inspiring and memorable evening. A warm and special thank you goes out to

- The Stuart Baker Children's Choir and Dan Lee
- Heritage Ballet and Julie Barban
- The Youth Ensemble and Beth Kipping ... Lauren McInnes
- Singer/Songwriter: Caroline Dalke
- Dame Beatrice: Mike Jaycock and Canoe FM
- Haliburton Dance Arts and Terri Mathews
- Singer: Taylor Broderick
- Singer: Guy Pritchard
- Film: Good Times Productions and Luke Stevens
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...and the awesome community audience that supported this sold out event!

Elke Zilla
HHSS drama teacher

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Retailers remain optimistic through tough times

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

Despite the global economic problems, the Haliburton downtown is once again proving that it isn't all doom and gloom this year, considering the concerted efforts of the community to attract and keep shoppers spending money locally.

Haliburton retailers say finding the answers to downtown economic prosperity seems to be as varied as the businesses, except that value and service are keys to staying in business. Despite the lack of snow, which is being blamed in part for this year's sales figures, the retailers all find resolve in their relationships with their customers.

Alongquin Outfitters operations manager Jeff Strano, who has been with the outdoors adventure, equipment and clothier company since 1997, said sales were fantastic, as they were up by close to 30 per cent for the days leading up to Christmas compared to last year.

"Does that mean we were killing it? It's hard to say. I don't think last year was the best December to use as an example, but still it was positive," he said. "I think we had a lot more people shopping locally."

The manager of the four locations (Haliburton, Minden, Sir Sam's and the Gull River Store) credits the local media for keeping the shop local attitude foremost on the minds of readers.

Strano adds Boxing Day was soft compared to last year and believes more retailers need to be open after Christmas to generate shopper interest and to give them a reason to come to town. The lack of snow didn't help, he said.

Haliburton County Warden Murray Fearrey has said in the past that service is key to economic success and its something Strano and other area businesses know too well.

"We really do try to service and build long term relationships with our customers. We are not interested in taking people's money and never seeing them again," he said. "I truly believe when you're dealing with somebody who lives in town that you treat them like a family member and make sure they leave with a smile on their face and that they come back."

Other business owners look to satisfy customers with this same attitude, ordering items when not available and offering good value.

The Haliburton Business Improvement and Area group that includes 75 members added greater emphasis to the promotion of shopping locally with an aggressive advertisement campaign on the radio (broadcasts three times a day) and the addition of the Winter Warm-up event, following the Santa Claus Parade, which is a BIA facilitated event.

Rosemarie Jung, BIA administrator, corroborates Strano's observation about the shop local attitude among area shoppers.

"More people I spoke with were making a much more concerted effort and I have to believe that's because of all the advertising on the radio and paper advertising that took place," she said.



Darren Lum Staff

The lack of snow created less than Christmas-like conditions, resulting in "less than expected" sales, as indicated in this photo taken days before Christmas. However all of the retailers interviewed showed resolve to draw in customers, seasonal and year-round.

BIA chairperson Luke Schell, who is also the owner and operator of Perfect Prints Image Centre, is open to suggestions to improve things further.

"We're doing whatever we can think of and if anybody has any suggestions we would certainly be open to them," he said.

Schell said they have discussed a men's shopping night a few days before Christmas, marketed as one of the last shopping nights. He said they expect to continue with the Santa Claus Parade, the Winter Warm-up and the "shop local" campaign.

The importance of online sales continues to be debated, but JanKnits Studio owner, Janet Sheehey said it is an important component to her sales and ability to thrive on the downtown.

"I'm always trying to find a place for my website to be so I zero in on knitting sites. So I'm not promoting my website locally so much as I am targeting my product more where it needs to be targeted," she said, adding she has a Facebook presence and aims to target knitters around the world.

Contrary to Strano's strong sales figures, Sheehey thought the downtown was very quiet despite decent sales, which are usually strong for her during the lead-up to and on the holidays.

"The three Saturdays coming up to

Christmas you could have shot a cannon down the main street. It was dead," she said. "But then you know there wasn't the snow and the feeling of it. I don't know if that makes a difference anymore. I really don't."

Although her online sales have doubled since last year, mainly from the U.S., she still believes in keeping a building (that she is fortunate to own) in the downtown.

"Location is always the key for your walk-in traffic during the summertime. There is so much online competition that it is a harder sell unless you have something unique and that's why a lot of my furs sell online. Once they see that then it's like I might as well as get this and this and this," she said. "That's why I do so well. I don't know how I would do if I didn't have that in here."

Without the fur yarn, she believes she would be lost in the world of yarn since it is a unique offering, particularly for Americans who cannot buy it except from Canada.

Overall, her online sales account for close to 40 per cent for the year.

An online presence among the specialty stores is agreed upon as a necessity to not only draw potential customers, but to inform the public about stock.

Master's Bookstore owner Kathy Stouffer,

who has been involved with the store since 1981 and sole owner since 1989, said it's difficult to compare to last year since the fire in the Village Barn created a recovery year, but said business was up by close to 10 per cent. Sales were steady leading up to Christmas, she said.

Stouffer does do a few sales online, but not anywhere near 10 per cent of annual sales.

She has considered expanding her online sales presence.

Laurie Bonfield of Country Pickin's has owned her business with her husband Renie for 29 years. Bonfield said strong service and unique products such as Canadian made products from Frank Lyman has been her key to her sustainability.

"That's how we keep going is we stand behind our product," she said.

She pulled out all the stops, she said, offering pre-Christmas and Boxing Day sales, including planning for an upcoming ladies' day Sundays that runs every week from January until the spring, offering free draws, free gifts with purchases and no tax on full price merchandise.

"People like our ladies' day Sundays. It gives them something to do," she said.

She has been actively updating her web-

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New Year's period slower than usual, grocer notes

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site launched this past December to be current with contemporary marketing strategies. It includes links to the companies that produce her products.

Haliburton Foodland franchise owner and operator Brad Park, who took over from his dad several months ago, said sales were good in the lead up to Christmas because of it being on Sunday, keeping people close to home. However, it could have been bolstered by earlier advertising to give people more time to shop, which he requested prior to the season.

"It's all about the ad. If you got terrible ads they're not coming in. They want the deal," he said. "If I can get them in the door they'll buy."

Park said the New Year's Eve period was weaker than normal. He wasn't sure why since it also was on the weekend, but believes more people would have shopped if there was more snow.

The V&S Stedman's storeowner for the past 16 years, Andy Glecoff attributes the "less than expected" Christmas shopping season sales to less than winter-like conditions, attributed to a lack of a Christmas spirit, and online shopping.

"We just had too much going against us. You hate to lay blame. There are lots of extenuating circumstances and what can I say," he said. "We tried everything. We went on radio. We ran specific promotions with half price clothes. Buy one and get a second for half price. We ran coffee below cost and had trouble to ... let me put it this way the doors weren't banged down in the morning waiting for it."

The period after Christmas, which saw a noticeable increase in traffic in the core, resulted in outstanding sales, he said.

Glecoff didn't elaborate on what outstanding is, except that children that are out of school were a major factor.

Another method to draw people, he said, was a special day for his senior customers with taking off 15 per cent from purchases every Monday all year.

Glecoff said customers are more discerning than ever, looking for a quality product at good price, which he has been able to cater to for the visitors and year-round customers.

"The people that visit the town spend a lot of money ... they like quality merchandise at a good price. We've become known for that. That has really helped us. We love those locals. They are here all the time. The same ones. We like them both. We need them both. The locals and the visitors."



Shanthi Bascombe, employment and training counsellor and job developer, says there are many resources available in Haliburton for both job seekers and employers looking to fill positions.

Angelica Blenich
Staff

Centre offers help to employers

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

The employment centre in Haliburton can be compared to a matchmaking service.

With a number of services geared towards those looking for employment and employers looking to fill positions, the centre offers a variety of free resources.

Funded through the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, Employment Ontario provides services such as job posting, interviewing space, HR resources and information, job searching, employment counselling and job matching and placement.

"While we're mostly known as a place where job seekers come, to get help with job searches or with their resume, we also offer a lot of free services for employers," said Shanthi Bascombe, employment and training counsellor and job developer with Fleming College.

As the only provider of Employment Ontario in Haliburton County, the centre is able to assist with various aspects of job placement.

With Canadian Tire scheduled to open in Minden later this year, the centre recently facilitated the hiring process for the corporation.

"Canadian Tire is coming to Minden but they don't have a building or a facility here yet, however they do want their hiring process to get underway so the minute that building is open they can begin staffing it," said Bascombe.

After the corporation approached them, the centre began collecting resumes - a total of 500 - and helped in developing a screening process to fill the 40 to 50 positions.

"Sometimes when you're hiring you'll get lots of applicants but it's tricky sometimes to get the right applicant and how do you screen through a whole bunch of resumes to make it manageable," she said.

The centre does not get directly involved with the hiring process.

"All of the hiring decisions are in their hands, we just help with the process," said Bascombe.

Hiring can be a complicated and lengthy process for many employers, especially in terms of understanding local trends.

"We can help employers understand our local labour market, the seasonality, the types of candidates they're going to find."

In addition the centre stresses to employers the benefits of hiring locally.

"When we get involved we get to advocate for our local people," said Bascombe.

Candidates that were successful in getting an interview with Canadian Tire were those that represented their skills and abilities in a resume.

"It's not always an easy thing to do," admitted Bascombe, who said it comes down to demonstrating on one piece of paper why you fit that exact position.

The employment counsellor and job developer is hopeful more training can be done within the community to those who are seeking it.

"There's lots of experience in our community, but if they don't know how to put that on paper then they're maybe not getting recognized," she said.

For those searching for employment, the centre can provide information to government resources, career counselling, job matching and training.

"We'll provide strategies on how to find a job in our labour market, help you with your resume and cover letter and teach you how to search online."

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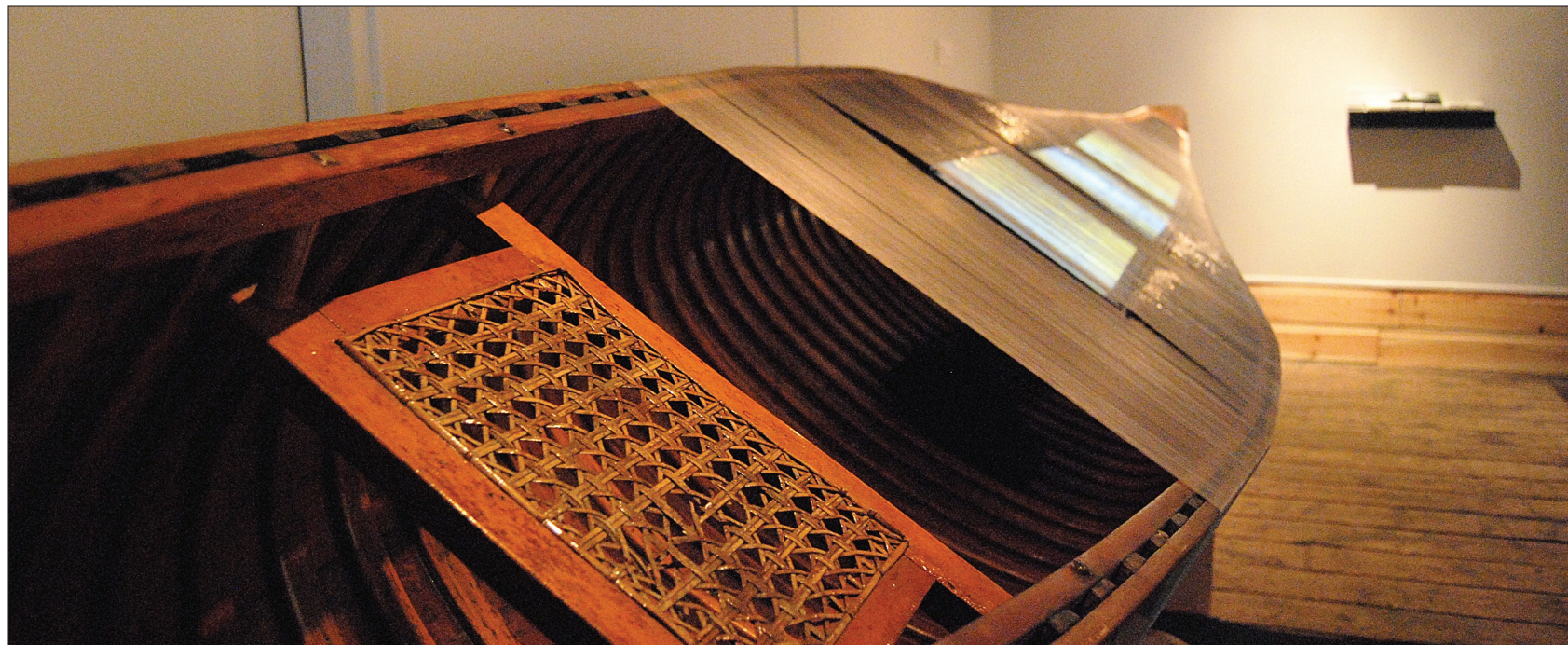


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Myth of the Steersman, an art installation by Marcel O'Gorman, sits along the wall of the Rails End Gallery Jan. 5, 2012. Over time, the fishing wire that wraps the canoe has changed the vessel's shape. The exhibition runs until Jan. 21

Jenn Watt
Staff

Exhibit examines myth of Thomson's death

Jenn Watt
Editor

A bent and bound canoe sits alone along the north wall of the Rails End Gallery, its insides filled not with packs and camping gear, but with computer screens.

The screens, and part of the vessel itself, are wrapped in fishing wire.

Tap the screens and you see images obscured by a canoe's wooden ribs – a Tom Thomson painting, a skull, a photo of the artist out fishing.

Myth of the Steersman is Marcel O'Gorman's response to the mystery of Thomson's death and is an exhibit at Haliburton's public gallery until Jan. 21. He calls it a "ghost canoe" and indeed it has become more ghostly as it has

"portaged" across the province from Kitchener where it was created to the Tom Thomson Gallery in Owen Sound to the Rails End in Haliburton before it reaches its final stop in Algonquin Park, where the famed artist lost his life in 1917.

In order to fit the screens into the boat, one of the seats had to be removed.

Combined with the taut fishing line – a reference to the line that was wrapped around Thomson's left leg 17 times when his body was found – the grey canoe has slowly been cinched in, creating something that looks more like a glowing sarcophagus than a canoe.

Though the reshaping wasn't planned, the eerie quality was the very intent of the piece, O'Gorman says.

"I did have this sense of something that's concealing a mystery from the beginning. I did have that sense of a cocoon or mummy or sarcophagus," he says.

O'Gorman's training is in English and the associate professor now works out of the University of Waterloo where he is the director of the Critical Media Lab.

Previous work has included a project called the "dread-mill" where images are projected based on how quickly the subject runs on a treadmill and a heritage greenhouse, which was an exhibit at the Art Gallery of Windsor, where video of farmers working is projected onto the physical greenhouse walls.

The canoe examines the same concepts, O'Gorman says, of our society's obsession with watching screens over participating in a physical reality.

"I like to work with the disembodiment of digital media. ... The idea that it lures us into forgetting that we're embodied beings. I like to take that and resist that with conspicuously embodied object or thing, whether it's a penny-farthing bicycle or an antique style wooden coffin or a heritage canoe or a green house," he says.

To complicate matters more, O'Gorman has digitally linked the computers in the canoe with the Internet.

A website specially created for the artwork, steersman.ca, allows users from anywhere in the world to manipulate the computer screens in the canoe, flipping through the paintings and photographs that appear in the Rails End Gallery.

Myth of the Steersman was hatched in response to a Tom Thomson exhibition in Owen Sound, with O'Gorman applying for the Gamble Family Award to create the piece, which he won.

Before turning it into art, he first christened the boat in Canoe Lake at Algonquin Park, the very lake Thomson's body was found in.

"After I finished painting the canoe, I brought it to Algonquin Park and christened it in Canoe Lake. ... Once I got it

back to Kitchener, my goal was to engineer a series of portages from gallery to gallery until it got back to Algonquin Park. ... I just received word that the Algonquin Art Centre has approved the project. ... It's going to be on display from June until October. That completes the portage back to Algonquin Park. To me, there's a certain aesthetic perfection of the journey," he says.

The Haliburton stop along the way was serendipitous for the work, as the village played a role in the journey of many of the era's plein air, or outdoor, painters including Thomson and the Group of Seven.

"The reason I thought Haliburton was great was because it was the end of the rail line and a lot of artists would have taken the train to Haliburton and gotten off and either done their painting in the Highlands or else hiked up ... to Algonquin Park. Members of the Group of Seven, for example, would have done that," O'Gorman says.

Alongside Myth of a Steersman is a second exhibit, the work of H.W. Wagner, grandfather of Haliburton Rotary Club president Brian Nash, and plein air painter of the same era as Thomson.

Wagner's section of the gallery has been constructed to look like an old fashioned drawing room, complete with a desk, mirror, coat rack and painter's palette.

A metal trunk is filled with eight-by-10 painted panels, and more of them sit on the floor, leaning against the wall. A few are framed and mounted.

The juxtaposition of the life and work of this little-known landscape artist and the mystery of a Canadian great create many questions for the gallery's visitors – something the gallery's executive director Laurie Jones relishes.

"My goal in having this here is contrast," Jones says.

"To get people to talk about what they value in art."

While Wagner represents the familiar traditional oil landscapes, O'Gorman brings a contemporary, less comfortable representation of a similar time and lifestyle.

"[Wagner's exhibit is] equally eerie in a certain way," O'Gorman says.

"What I loved about that was the rustiness of it. You really get this sense all of these sketches, these painted sketches, piled together in a trunk. Really, that's how Tom Thomson was working and other artists were working at that time. Just going out in a canoe with these small boards and painting on them."

The exhibition of Wagner and O'Gorman, titled *Cultural Considerations*, was first installed at the Rails End Gallery Dec. 5 and runs until Jan. 21. The gallery is open Wednesday to Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is by donation. Visit www.railsendgallery.com for more details.

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By Jan. 1, 2013, all independent operators and small business owners in construction will have to register to start to pay for Workplace Safety and Insurance Board premiums for employees that never set foot on a construction site such as office staff, managers and partners.

It's argued this is just a tax hike on small companies and is due to the WSIB \$14 billion unfunded liability.

Local construction company owner Gary Burtch of Burtch Construction said this new change is adding an unnecessary burden on the independent contractor and the small business owner, who already pay into private insurance that has better coverage than WSIB.

He said his company pays close to nine per cent of the payroll for insurance, excluding him. If someone is making \$50,000, he said, that's \$4,000 paid out to WSIB.

"So, all of sudden you got to take my yearly wage or whatever is that contractor's wage and add nine per cent. That's what it's going to cost him," he said. "So, that's the problem," he said.

Burtch said this is a method the govern-



Required WSIB coverage for those who don't set foot on a construction site is unnecessary burden on independent contractors, some say.

ment believes will enable a recovery of the costs to be covered by the entire industry. However he feels it will simply drive more people to work under the table and in that situation there won't be anything paid out in the form of taxes or insurance premiums.

"Maybe it's not perfect, but we feel the new system is going to be worse," he said.

It's been reported by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business that it could cost the average small construction company \$11,000 a year.

"They're saying it's going to make a safer

Ontario because they are protecting all workers, whether they're covered or not," he said. "So, when they say it's a safer Ontario because everybody is covered, everybody is covered now. It's just whether someone pays into it."

Burtch believes the tragedy that claimed four men's lives in Toronto on Christmas Eve in 2009 was used as the impetus for this change.

"Nobody that goes to the hospital is just left there. WSIB steps up if it is work-related then they go back to the company owner, the boss, or whoever and try to sue them to get the money out of them," he said.

The government proposed these changes back in 2006 and the Ontario Home Builders Association have written letters to the government and attended meetings, voicing their displeasure the past several years.

Until the finer points are finalized, the Haliburton County Home Builders Association will wait to go ahead with a plan to educate the local construction industry.

There have already been four clarifications announced since the changes were made public late last year such as an executive officer rate group, pre-registration, exemptions to mandatory coverage: home renovation and additional exemptions for executive officers or partners.

Burtch points out it is buyer beware for any work done "under the table."

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Modernization promises creation of 200,000 new skilled jobs

Dave Flaherty
Special to the *Echo*

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott said Friday that a Conservative plan to modernize Ontario's apprenticeship system would create 200,000 new skilled trade jobs in the province.

During a press conference at her office in Lindsay, Scott said a number of changes need to be made to the system.

Scott said Dalton McGuinty and the Liberals are clinging onto a 1970s-era apprenticeship system that requires businesses to employ three, four or even five journeymen to train a single apprentice.

The Conservatives are stating that the ratio should be one journeymen to one apprentice.

"Reducing the ratio will free up more journeymen to train more apprentices. Those apprentices will eventually become journeymen – and they will train apprentices of their own. It is that simple and that is why the Ontario PC caucus will continue to push Dalton McGuinty to implement this change," Scott said.

According to figures provided by Scott, in Ontario the journeymen to apprentice ratio is 5:1 for bricklayers and carpenters, 3:1 for a construction electricians and plumbers, and 4:1 for sheet metal workers.

In comparison, provinces such as Manitoba and Nova Scotia have the 1:1 ratio the Conservatives are seeking, while Newfoundland and Alberta have one journeymen for every two apprentices.

Scott said their proposed plan would create 200,000 jobs.

In a press release given out by Scott, it is stated those jobs would be created over a four-year time period and that 6,000 jobs would be created immediately from the plan.

The Conservatives would also like to give more responsibility to community colleges for matching up apprentices with employees, she said.

"The colleges should be the gatekeepers," Scott said.

Traditionally, the Ministry of Training Colleges and Universities has set appren-

ticeships ratios, however, Scott said the premier intends to give that power to the "union-run College of Trades."

Scott accused McGuinty and the Liberals of hurting small businesses who want to hire apprentices but can't because of the current system.

"McGuinty intentionally kept apprenticeship ratio high for his friends (i.e. trade unions)," Scott said.

Change to the system is needed now, Scott reiterated.

"This fix could be easily done," she said.

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Bea Hutchings is "sew" thrilled to find a new home in the Haliburton incubator for her business Sew Bea It. A 25 year resident of Haliburton, Hutchings has been working from home for the past few years. Hutchings specializes in alterations and custom creations.

New business venture, one stitch at a time

➤ Seamstress is a product of the Sew Resourceful project facilitated by SIRCH Community Services

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

The tape measure hangs around the nape of her neck, its usual resting place.

As Bea Hutchings hovers over the sewing machine she sits with a sense of calmness and confidence.

As the thread weaves through the fabric splayed before her, Hutchings moves with rhythm, setting a pace and watching the creation come to life before her eyes.

Sewing is not a new skill to Hutchings, 40, who has been working at the craft since learning it from her mother and home economics class in Grade 10.

With an immediate love for the trade, Hutchings has spent very little time during the last few years without a needle and thread in her hands.

Working out of her home during the past few years and relying on word of mouth, in December the sewer decided to take her skills and passion one step further, moving into the Haliburton Creative Business Incubator and setting up her new business, Sew Bea It.

Hutchings moved into the space formerly occupied by incubator graduate Brandi Hewson on Dec. 4 and specializes in alterations, custom sewing and creative projects.

It was this passion for the craft that led Hutchings, a wife and mother of four, to pursue sewing as a career.

"I enjoy it and like I tell my kids you're better off picking a career or a job that you're going to wake up and enjoy going to every day."

Born in New Brunswick, Hutchings has been calling Haliburton home since the age of 14.

A graduate of the Sew Resourceful project facilitated by SIRCH Community Services, Hutchings completed the pilot initiative in 2009 and all three semesters of the program administered in 2010 and 2011.

The program taught the seamstress other skills that she was lacking, such as marketing and business expertise.

"We couldn't be happier. We're ecstatic with what she's accomplished," said Nancy Brownsberger, community coordinator for SIRCH Community Services.

"The growth that she has shown, it's astounding."

Even with a business plan in mind, Hutchings was hesitant to branch out on her own for fear she would fail.

"[SIRCH] really helped with bringing the business people in, I don't think I would have been able to approach anybody or know who to approach," said Hutchings.

Through support from participants of the program and its guest speakers, Hutchings was put in touch with individuals that could

help her realize her dream.

One of the guest speakers the program hosted was Mike Jaycock, manager of the incubator.

"I did meet with Mike and Barb Bolin and we talked a bit and I filled out the application [to be accepted into the incubator]," said Hutchings.

Upon being accepted, she did not need to rely on funding through the Haliburton County Development Corporation, instead benefiting from a generous benefactor.

"I call her my guardian angel, she gave me some money to make sure my rent was covered for a year or whatever I need, but she doesn't want any of it back. I guess she believed in me enough she wanted to do this, I will repay her somehow," said Hutchings.

Plans for Sew Bea It down the road include opening a location in town that is accessible to everyone.

Transitioning to the incubator has been thoroughly successful thus far, with Hutchings getting comfortable in her new space and routine.

"There's all sorts of possibilities that are there, we've made a nice start," said Jaycock.

With the majority of her business focused on repairs and alterations, the sewer is hoping to expand her work to creative projects including custom creations.

"I love the creative side as well. It's fun," she said.

Hutchings is currently making 13 cocktail dresses commissioned by Haliburton Dance Arts. The order is just one example of what she is capable of.

Another side to her business includes using recycled material to make new items.

"I made a purse for a lady from an old pair of men's pants," she said.

With the support of her family and friends, Hutchings is moving towards becoming more confident about her business venture.

Jaycock will be mentoring Hutchings along the way and has already envisioned some creative ways of getting her name out there.

"One of the things I want to do is put up a poster in the curling club," he said.

Jaycock hopes to foster Hutchings' creative side and perhaps market the seamstress's work online down the road and get her involved in the school of the arts.

"I think that's where the real opportunity for Bea's expansion rests."

For Hutchings the future is wide open.

"When we're talking success stories, this is it. She's a great representative of what a vocational program can offer," said Brownsberger.

Sew Bea It will be open every Monday through Thursday at the incubator from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Appointments are recommended.

Hutchings can be contacted by phone at 705-457-1913 or email at hutch6_47@hotmail.com.

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Three local women to open holistic health store

Jenn Watt
Editor

Three women with coinciding interests and skills are pooling their resources and their energy to create a new business in Haliburton.

Three Wise Women and a Store is set to open at 50 York St. by February of this year and will cover a wide range of services and products related to holistic health and well being.

While services will include massage, reflexology, chakra balancing, intuitive card reading and nutritional counselling, there will also be gluten- and dairy-free food, raw cuisine, take-out coffee and tea, new and used books, incense, crystals and more. The idea for the shop came together last spring as the three friends started to ponder what a storefront location could bring.

Originally from Barrie, Lauren Forbes moved to the Highlands last September, but has for years taken arts courses at Fleming College.

She has been doing intuitive card reading for some 18 years and wanted to spend more time on her passion.

Fellow "wise woman" Michelle Connelly, a registered holistic nutritionist, had worked at major health food stores including Nature's Emporium in Newmarket, Ont., and wanted to return to the alternative foods field after moving to Haliburton in 2007.

She will be offering food at the store as well as consulting people who want to change their diets. She can help with meal planning and guide people through grocery shopping.

Bringing them all together is Val Craftchick, who has been operating her own healing services for many years.

"I've been around forever," Craftchick jokes. "I think I opened my first storefront in 1998 in the Village Barn ... from there I moved to a few spots."

Since Craftchick is well established in Haliburton County, she hopes she can introduce the community to Forbes and Connelly through the new business venture.

"I just hope to be a catalyst for these ladies to pursue their dream," she said.

The store, which the

women envision as "a safe and comfortable place to relax while learning more about your total health and wellness," is still being set up and unpacked, but will soon be open.

It is located in the same building as the Service Ontario office next door to Outdoors Plus, unit 10. Hours are Monday to Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Connelly is also hosting "Green Drinks" get-togethers for like-minded people in the Highlands who are "interested in sustainability, holistic health and environmental issues," according to her brochure.

Next month's topic will be "love, chocolate and all that good stuff" and will be held Feb. 1 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Call Michelle or her husband David at 705-754-0114 for details.

Lauren Forbes can be reached at 705-854-1490 to make an appointment for card reading, shamanic energy guidance or transformations.

Val Craftchick can be contacted at 705-854-0889 to book any of her many services including past life regression, intuitive energy work, massage, reflexology and crystal healing.



Michelle Connelly, left, Val Craftchick and Lauren Forbes are opening Three Wise Women and a Store in the not-too-distant future. The store is at 50 York St. and should be open by February.

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Municipalities take stock of report

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Several weeks have passed since the Business Retention and Expansion Report was presented to the four municipal governments of Haliburton County and all of them have used the information as a point of reference in either establishing economic development committees, in moving ahead with plans or confirming perceived realities.

Spearheaded by the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, the 36-page report revealed many county businesses are content with the current climate, as they are satisfied with the lifestyle of the area. However, they believe opportunities exists with strategies outlined in the action plans of the report. It has prompted all of the townships to move forward with some form of an economic development committee.

Late last year, the findings were presented by Dennis Casey, who is the acting interim manager for the chamber of commerce and a Dysart councillor, over the course of several weeks to the four municipalities: Dysart, Minden Hills, Algonquin Highlands and Highlands East.

Haliburton County Warden Murray Fearrey said the report was effective at providing a snapshot of the business community. He points out that any kind of business success is dependent upon the quality of the customer care.

"We can't do enough to be friendly with our customers and I don't know how much is being done," he said. "We're in a period all of those things make the difference between wanting to shop locally and come back to Haliburton County or [leave and shop elsewhere]. Why would you do that if you're not given the best treatment. I think that's critical to going forward and I hope businesses buy into that and we continue as a county to support those training facilities with the college or whoever to ensure we're friendlier than the communities around us. We have to be better."

Economic development is not a county level responsibility, as it has been left to the municipal governments.

Minden Hills has taken the lead with its draft strategic plan, which provides a structure or strategy for engaging both residents and the business community on creating

a vision and means for moving forward to support economic growth, chairman of the Minden Hills economic development committee Larry Clarke said.

Their plan focuses on taking advantage of their location being close to Southern Ontario, recognizing the existing economic draw of the village and along Hwy. 35, to not only draw people here, but keep them long-term. The plan also seeks to satisfy year-round and seasonal residents. With five directions, the plan includes improvement of the area, a healthier business environment, marketing of the area, support business growth and community infrastructure that fosters economic development.

Minden Hills worked on the plan since last April and the survey was the basis for the strategy. Council accepted it this past September.

Clarke, who believes the plan addresses all of the barriers to a stronger business community outlined in the report, said he got the edge over the other municipalities by being part of the planning process for the report, as he was involved as a former director with the chamber commerce. They have since shared their work with the other townships.

Clarke adds he was elected based on bringing in an economic strategy and helped to form the committee started last January.

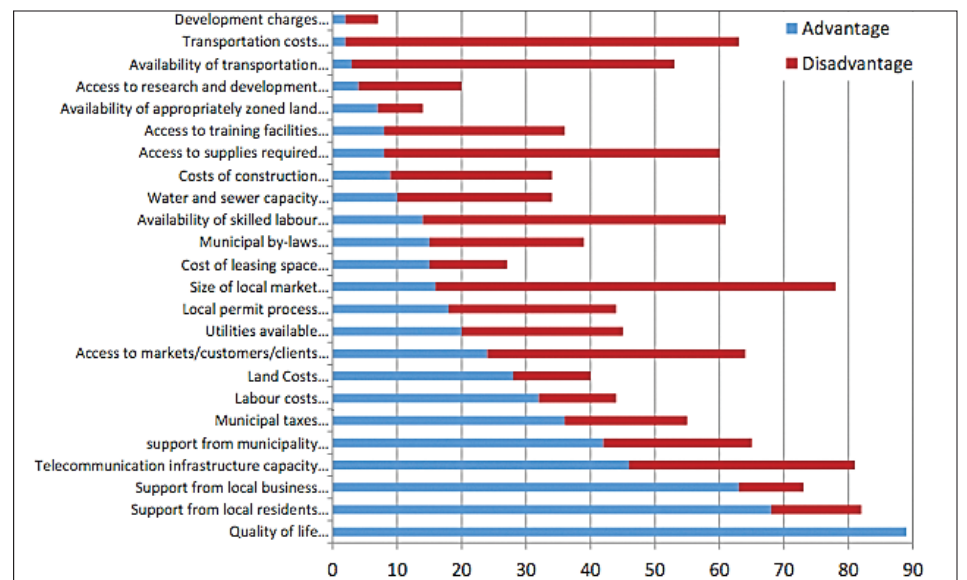
There will be a town hall meeting for the public that will focus on the progress of the strategic plan and from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre on Saturday, Jan. 7.

In early March, he said, there are plans for another event because of a joint effort with the HCDC and the township, including a possible inclusion of the Kawartha Lakes Small Business Enterprise Centre. It will be focused on helping small business owners.

Clarke hopes to offer other similar business workshops to help local merchants and business people.

The survey's results was made possible by the participation of 98 businesses, representing a cross-section of 15 per cent of all the businesses (with a Canada Post address) in the county.

Highlands East business and economic development committee chairperson Cecil Ryall said the recommended actions outlined have a timeline that is too far in the future. He believes his township needs to



Advantages and disadvantages to doing business in the county. From BRE report

move forward sooner and does not want to even let two months go by before they act.

"We think we have to move faster. We don't want to lose the 2012 tourist season and we don't want to allow any of the opportunities that may come up in the next 12 months to go by. Unlike Minden, we're never going to have a Canadian Tire. We're just not in the right place for that," he said, adding Highlands East is the only municipality to have mineral rights in Ontario.

Ryall said he is working on drawing people because of these rights and its unique offering. Possible relationships, which could bolster this unique feature of the area, to attract people, could be established with schools such as Trent University and Sir Sanford Fleming College.

"Unfortunately, some of the marketing suggestions [in the report] work better in Minden and Haliburton because they have the businesses to do that with, whereas we're still trying to build those businesses."

As far as action plans and recommendations, he said, they'll be looking to develop their own plan to reflect the major differences of the area that contrasts with Haliburton and Minden.

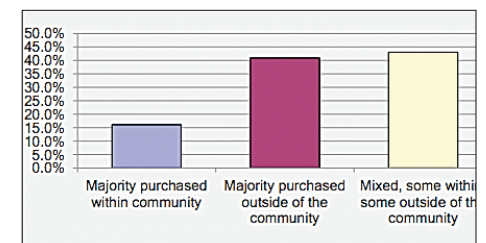
Ryall alluded to several future projects, but stopped short of divulging any details except that the progress of the idea will be known at the end of February.

Although Algonquin Highlands does not have an economic development com-

mittee, Reeve Carol Moffatt has done her homework forming an economic development committee and eventual plan. Generally, she hopes that all the municipalities can draw information from the report to act.

"What we need to do is interpret some of the responses into action items," she said, adding she would like to act rather quickly in the new year. "We need to take results of this survey, interpret them (you know the old saying, six ways of Sunday) four ways of Sunday because there are four municipalities. Each municipality has to take what they can from it and develop strategies around it."

Since she knew the report was coming,



Location of products and services purchased by the businesses.

Moffatt made sure to attend all of the economic development oriented sessions at

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Warden says success depends on business community

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conferences last year to learn about the best practices and pitfalls.

She adds the report is informative, but does not directly apply to her area since the only downtown Algonquin Highlands has is Dorset, referring to any improvements to a downtown area. It means her township will have to "think laterally."

Moffatt recognizes there are many questions related to the formation of a committee from what it will do, who it will serve, the strategies and the goal it should have. She said the formation of a committee is on the council's agenda in January to eventually produce an economic plan.

"If we can answer what we're looking for that will help us build what we're going to do. I think that BR&E [report] plays a big role in that," she said.

Dysart's housing and business development Committee

has taken the tact of focusing on housing, believing it is a major component to improving the business climate.

Its chairperson, Andrea Roberts, thought many challenges are out of the control of local government and business people, referring to the economic downturn as one example.

"One of things that we appreciated was that there was quite a positive response of people who had plans to either expand or grow their business," Roberts said.

She said there aren't any direct actions resulting from the report, but efforts to improve the housing has been a focus, which is part of the business prosperity of the area.

This committee started this term.

Fearrey believes small initiatives will come from the report and if it leads to progress will give the public hope.

"It's a basis for further thinking and further opportunities," Fearrey said, adding the opportunities will reside with taking advantage of the tourism industry.

The key thing is to focus, he said, on a single area such as tourism in these challenging economic times. For even

the arts, which is an economic driver, is tied into tourism, he adds. However, he said ultimately it is up to the members of the business community.

"It still takes the entrepreneurs to make things happen. Politicians don't make everything happen. It takes the people on the front lines, employing the people, providing the service. They're the ones that make our county strong and that's the bottomline," he said.

Started in June 2010, the Business Retention and Expansion Survey was undertaken by Casey's company, Roxden Management Services, which was awarded the contract during the request for proposals put forth by the chamber. He conducted the survey and spoke directly with the majority of the survey respondents over the course of a few months. It was then compiled and interpreted for the Haliburton County Business Retention and Expansion Report completed by Shelley Hirstwood Consulting, who is an established economic developer.

See the full report at www.hhchamber.on.ca/local-initiative-project.

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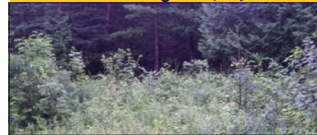
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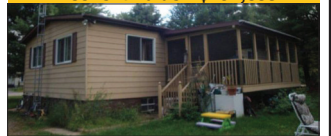
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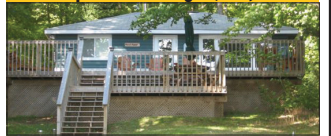
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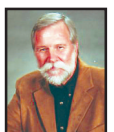
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Reads of the week



Book of the Week, Adult title:

The Accident by Linwood Barclay

In the wake of an economic recession that is compromising his business, building contractor Glen Barber feels he has enough to worry about; that is, until he learns that his wife, Sheila, was killed in a car accident. Most shocking to Glen is that his always responsible wife was to blame, apparently drunk at the wheel. Desperately searching for answers, he soon discovers that the mother of his young daughter may have been involved in shady black market dealings – and her car crash may not have been “accidental” after all. You can reserve *The Accident* in print, e-book and audiobook formats at the Haliburton County Public Library.

Book of the Week, Teen Title:

Where She Went by Gayle Forman

Voted as Goodreads’ top YA novel of 2011, *Where She Went* follows Mia, a talented cellist studying at Julliard, and Adam, an L.A.-based rock star. Once a pair, Adam and Mia parted ways after a devastating accident. Now, three years later, a chance meeting in New York City brings them together again. Can their romance be rekindled? If you enjoyed *If I Stay*, then be sure to reserve this tear-jerking sequel at your library.

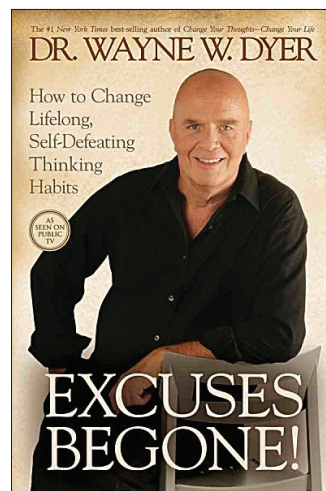
Local Celebrity Read:



Andrew Hodgson recently finished reading *Excuses Begone: How To Change Lifelong, Self-Defeating Thinking Habits* by Dr. Wayne W. Dyer, a speaker and author

of over 30 books who has been dubbed by fans as “the father of motivation.” In *Excuses Begone*, Dyer presents a series of conscious and subconscious excuses employed by virtually everyone, alongside tools that guide readers to put those excuses to rest once and for all.

“Dyer spells out a positive way of life. He speaks about taking responsibility for one’s own life, and not blaming others,” says Hodgson. “I’d recommend this book



to anyone who struggles with the day-to-day grind, or anyone that worries or gets stressed out.”

According to Hodgson, *Excuses Begone* is ultimately all about “generosity, community and thoughtfulness”.

On the subject of community, Hodgson, who owns Haliburton’s Century 21 with his wife Anne, concludes by saying that “as real estate professionals, half of our job is to sell people on our community - and the library is a huge asset.”

News & Events:

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The closing notes of the season

Greg Roe



Music Notes

Well, the holidays are over and the kids have officially returned to their studies. Life is back to “normal.” A hectic time, for sure and as it drew to a close I got ponder-

ing the role of music in the whole affair. An easy ponder, of course, in that I am sure the preponderance of music in the holidays is obvious to all. In fact, it seems that the last

Halloween lantern has barely flickered and the strains of Christmas music can be heard on retail outlets and on the radio.

Personally, I always find this a bit aggravating at first, but it isn’t long before I find myself unconsciously singing *Blue Christmas*. Next thing you know you have joined the chorus of festive merry makers. It is, after all, part of the season and who doesn’t like to join in on a carol sing? There is something communal about the whole experience.

As well, Christmas music ranges from the hokey (*Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer*) the Holy (*Handel’s Messiah*) and yet it all seems to work and every musician on the planet seems to have the urge to release a Christmas album. I could get cynical here,

but I’ll restrain myself.

New Year’s, as well, is rife with music but one song in particular stands out and that is *Auld Lang Syne*. The version that we know is attributed to Scottish poet Robbie Burns who published the poem in 1788 and set it to an old folk tune. Both the tune and some of the lyrics pre-date Burns. It is really a lament on the year that has passed and there is a certain melancholy to the tune. Canadian Guy Lombardo made the song hugely popular and it became his theme for many years. Today, most are more than ready to join in on a sing-along of the song, but few know more of the lyrics than the first line and many have their own version of this.

While we often do lament and look back

fondly at the year gone by, New Year’s Eve is more about looking forward in a positive and hopeful manner. Remember those resolutions that you are going to keep? Who knows what 2012 may hold and that mystery is part of the beauty of anticipating the future. Musically there will be much, as there always is. For example, did you know that last Friday, Jan. 6 was Max Bruch’s birthday? If you aren’t familiar with Max you may want to Google his Violin Concerto ... fantastic! Happy 2012 to all. Here’s to a great year ahead.

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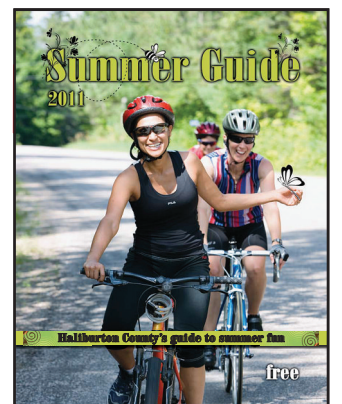
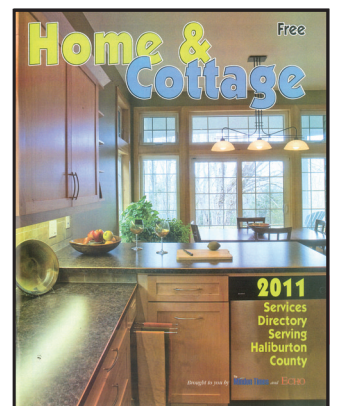
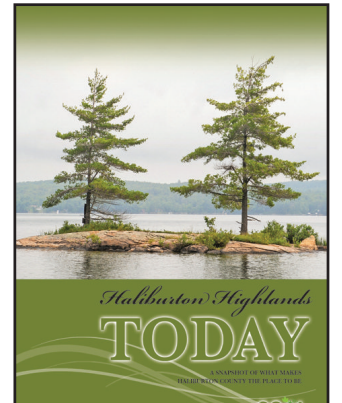
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OPP remind motorists of winter driving

Tragic deaths in Ontario lead police to issue warning

On Jan. 3, seven young people, ranging in age between 17 and 19 tragically lost their lives in two separate multi-vehicle collisions in the province within four hours of each other. These fatal collisions were both related to winter driving conditions.

As a result of the circumstances surrounding these avoidable tragedies the Ontario Provincial Police is reminding motorists of how important it is to constantly adjust driving behaviour to the road conditions.

Weather changes, particularly during the winter, can occur suddenly and dramatically in Ontario. Without warning, sudden storms and plunging temperatures can drastically change road conditions and reduce visibility.

"It is critical that motorists adjust their driving behaviour to the weather conditions, which can change rapidly and without warning. Driving too fast for the road conditions is the No. 1 cause of winter collisions," said Deputy

Commissioner Larry Beechey, provincial commander of traffic safety. "Even on a sunny day, black ice is a constant danger and drivers should always assume its presence."

The OPP is asking for the assistance of the public and parents in particular to speak to their young drivers about the inherent dangers of winter driving and to lead by example. Chief Superintendent Don Bell, Commander of the OPP highway safety division says "far too many people are continuing to take risks and are paying the ultimate sacrifice. Together we can teach drivers of all ages to become not just good drivers, but good road users."

OPP Festive RIDE campaign nets over 1,200 impaired drivers

The tallies are in for the Ontario Provincial Police (2011-2012 Festive RIDE campaign and the final number of impaired drivers caught over the holidays came as bit-sweet news to the commissioner of the OPP.

The Festive RIDE campaign got underway on Nov. 25 and wrapped up on Jan. 1.

During that time, OPP officers removed a total of 1,203 impaired drivers off our roads and highways throughout the six Ontario regions that are policed by the OPP.

Of this total, 652 were charged with impaired driving and the other 551 were issued immediate warn range suspensions for having a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) between .05 and .08.

In comparison, during the 2010-2011 Festive RIDE

campaign, 308 drivers were charged with impaired driving and 613 were issued warn range suspensions.

"On one hand, I am extremely proud of the hard work on the part of our officers who made this campaign highly-effective in removing these dangerous drivers from our roads over the holidays. On the other hand, I am disappointed that these drivers would risk their lives and the lives of others," said OPP Commissioner Chris Lewis.

In 2011, 47 people died in alcohol-related crashes on OPP-patrolled roads.

According to Chief Superintendent Don Bell, commander of the OPP highway safety division, drivers shouldn't let their guard down just because the holiday

season is over.

"The results of our Festive RIDE campaign and the dangers associated with driving impaired have been widely-publicized in the news, yet more than 1,200 drivers still chose to ignore our strong messaging and warnings about impaired driving," says Bell.

"For those who feel relieved that our campaign is over, be warned that our regular RIDE initiatives will continue to be conducted throughout the province year-round so there is no safe haven for impaired drivers anywhere or anytime on Ontario roads," he added.

The OPP would like to thank all those who acted responsibly over the holidays by driving sober and helping to make Ontario roads safe for everyone.

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Twp. Minden Hills Council Chambers

Monday January 23rd, 2012 - 4:30pm
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Thursday January 26th, 2012 - 7:00pm
Dorset Recreation Centre



From top left, clockwise: Bunnyrabbit Program participant Finn Bayley, 4, takes on his best wolf persona, yelling out commands; a young skier descends; one participant finds a warm embrace; Bunnyrabbit Program participants fall in line at Glebe Park in Haliburton on Saturday, Jan. 7. The Bunnyrabbit Program is an "active start" stage for children five and under and is part the Cross Country Canada's Skill Development Program for children from four to 12. It was offered as part of the Haliburton Ski Club Youth Programs by the Haliburton Highlands Cross-Country Ski Club. The weekly instruction includes the Jackrabbit (6-9) and the Track Attack (10-12) programs. Photos by Darren Lum

Home Builders' hockey tournament scores with county food banks

➤ Donation accounts for approximately 20 per cent for food bank

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Charity starts at home.

The Haliburton County Home Builders Association (HCHBA) is preparing for its 14th annual hockey tournament when close to 200 hockey players will descend upon the Dysart Arena for the last weekend of January.

Organizer of the event for the past 14 years, Aggie Tose, said it is an important event for more than hockey lovers, as the food banks in Minden and Haliburton are the main benefactors.

All of the event's proceeds have been donated to the food banks in Haliburton County such as the 4Cs and the Minden Food Bank.

4Cs treasurer Judy MacDuff, who has been with the 4Cs since 1994, said she isn't exactly a hockey fan, but is a huge fan of the HCHBA.

The event's contribution is a reaffirmation of how great this community is and considers the event's infusion to come at a perfect time when people need it most, she

said.

"It's great. It stocks our shelves and helps us with other programs," said MacDuff, adding February is a high demand period.

She adds out of the "ordinary donations" from the public this event makes up approximately 20 per cent, not including the contributions the association makes at other times of the year such as Christmas.

Tose, the executive officer with the HCHBA said she takes satisfaction from the enjoyment experienced by the tournament's participants.

The well-organized event, she has been told, continues to be a draw for hockey players from all over. There has been as many as 22 hockey teams coming from all over Ontario, including teams from Toronto, Hamilton and Kingston.

The association consists of 48 members who help in various ways such as sponsorship and contributing items for door prizes to arguably the biggest hockey tournament in the area.

Currently, there are five divisions: Home Builder, Ladies, Over 35, Over 50 and Open. These divisions are all pending, as there must be at least four teams for each division.

The tournament is held at the Dysart Arena in Haliburton from Jan. 27 to 29.

Donations will be accepted at the door during tournament play and sponsorship is encouraged. Inquires can be directed to Tose at 705-457-6901.

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Peewee As tackle Christmas Classic

Dr. Ed Smolen Family Dentistry sponsored Peewee As took part in the three-day PMHA Christmas Classic Peewee Division Tournament on Dec. 28, 29 and 30. I was unable to attend but our boys did great.

There were two games each day starting with the first at 3 p.m., then the second was usually at 6 or 7 p.m. both Wednesday and Thursday. The first game was against Prince Edward County Kings who we have met at other tournaments, the Storm boys pulled out a 4-3 win, then they moved onto the second game of the day at 7 p.m. against the Newcastle Stars. The team once again pulled out a win of 2-1.

On Thursday the first game at 3 p.m. was against the Manvers Mustangs. The Storm must have tired of winning by one goal and won 4-0 giving goalie Parker Smolen the first of three shutouts in the tournament.

The following game at 6 p.m. still had the boys in a winning mood, and they won 8-0 against the Coldwater Wildcats.

This fourth win moved the boys into the semi-finals in top place, therefore parents and players either had to stay in Peterborough another night or do the drive again for a third day. The Highland Storm Peewee As made it worth it, by winning the semi finals against Brighton 4-0 moving them on to the championship game at 7 p.m. vs South Grenville. Receiving some

of the play by play via texting we were able at home to keep track of some of the game.

It took a while for the scoring to start and it was first done by South Grenville. Then after a couple of penalties to the Storm managed to hold off South Grenville at one point having five players against our three the Storm decided enough was enough and went for the win. The Storm tied it up 1-1 then pulled ahead 2-1 and then Greg Crofts got a goal before the end of the second period.

The third period saw South Grenville score to make 2-3, but nearing the end of the third Jake Bishop scored and the final and winning score of 4-2, making the boys Champions of the tournament they played a total of six games in three days. What a way to end the year. Congratulations!

I apologize for not being able to acknowledge everyone's goals and assists, but this was obviously a great team effort and everyone is responsible for the outcome.

(Matt Wilbee got his 50th goal during this tournament an achievement well worth mentioning.)

Submitted by Karena Crofts

Tykes win against Sturgeon Lake

Jan. 2, Highland Storm Tyke team travelled to Bobcaygeon to face off against the Sturgeon Lake Tykes.

With no score after the first, they came to play and scored against us. Battling hard Hunter scored with an assist by Damon.

Down to the last few minutes of the game, Nick scored. We won 2-1.

Submitted by Monica Keefer

Highland Storm Tyke go to Gravenhurst

Highland Storm Tykes travelled to Gravenhurst Saturday, Jan. 7. The puck was dropped both teams evenly machined. First two periods were scoreless.

Battling back and forth Hunter scored with a great pass from Nick. Winning 1-0. Excellent goal tending and a first shut out for Dylan Keefer. Congratulations to all Tykes on a job well done.

Submitted by Monica Keefer

Storm Atom AE lose 7-2

The Highland Storm Atom AE team visited Huntsville on Saturday Jan. 7 and played extremely well despite losing 7-2. Huntsville scored the first goal but the Storm team came back with goals by Jake O'Neill and Nigel Smith which gave the team a 2-1 lead. The Storm team suc-

cessfully killed a number of penalties but Huntsville finally tied the game and then scored their third goal late in the second period. The Huntsville team enjoyed a large advantage as their players somehow took few penalties. Storm goalie Jaxson Campbell played an outstanding game and in one play was blind-sided to the head by a Huntsville attacker as he covered the puck. Huntsville went on to score four more goals in the third period but the Storm team showed determination and hard work throughout the game.

Submitted by Larry Bukta

Bantam AEs return to action

The Bantam Highland Storm sponsored by Dave's Landscaping and McKee Security returned to action this past weekend after the Christmas break. They resumed regular season play with a trip to Huntsville to face the Otters.

In spite of the prolonged absence from the rink the Storm opened with a bang. Hunter Bishop picked up a loose puck in the Storm zone and raced away to the Otters end, he drew two defenders to himself and fed Brenden McKee, who in turn feathered a perfect pass to Josh Rowden and he fired the puck into the open net. This all occurred in the first eight seconds of the game. Rowden finished off another nice passing play with McKee to

see STORM page 35

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Resolving fuel usage in the new year

Smartphone app allows you to monitor the amount of gas you use

Kelly Williams
QMI Agency

If you are anything like me, you've made more than one New Year's resolution in the hopes that you will follow through on at least one of them. One year I decided I was only going to get books from the library rather than buy them. This resolution actually lasted for a few years.

One of this year's resolutions is to start using a smart phone app that will allow me to monitor my fuel consumption on both of my vehicles.

Many people don't really monitor their fuel economy – it's more of a "feeling" like "it seems like I've been filling up more often than before."

Some factors that will affect fuel economy and contribute to that "feeling" are driving style, tire pressure and the general maintenance level of our vehicle. These things are hard to put an exact dollar figure on since we don't have a dollar sign gauge on our dash to tell us we are using more gas.

I'm one of those people who like to see numbers to back up what I may be thinking rather than just a "guesstima-

tion."

My friend monitors her fuel consumption the old fashioned way - she keeps a little notebook in her driver's side door and every time she fills up, she writes down the appropriate information: how many litres; octane rating; number of kilometres since the last fill-up, etc. After a few months she will take the book in the house and do the math to see how many litres per 100 kilometres she is using.

The app I downloaded is called "Gas Cubby" but I am sure there are many others out there like it. This app allows me to monitor both fuel consumption and vehicle maintenance costs. In order to set it up I had to input a bit of information about my vehicles such as the model year and the odometer reading. You can monitor multiple vehicles, which is handy, and you can decide if you want to figure stuff out in litres/100 kilometre or miles per gallon.

Now when I go to fill up at the gas station, I will need to input whether it is a full fill up or a partial. I will also need to indicate the cost per litre of gas and the total number of litres put in, as well as the grade. I could also indicate which gas brand if I wanted to track where I am spending my dollars.

Obviously, I won't notice anything right away since there needs to be some history to come up with a pattern but I'm excited to see how it works. As with any form of tracking, you need to be diligent with it every time you pump gas or that will throw the numbers off.

For more auto news, go to autonet.ca.

Apply for art festival

Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre invites applications from artisans and artists for the 49th annual Haliburton Art and Craft Festival 2012 July 27, 28 and 29 in Head Lake Park. The event attracts thousands of visitors to Haliburton Village and has been one of the highlights of summer in the Haliburton Highlands for close to 50 years. Haliburton Art and Craft Festival celebrates creativity and excellence in fine art and craft and is organized by volunteers from Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre.

The organizing committee for this year's Art and Craft Festival is extremely proud to announce that artists can apply online this year. The process is simple and user friendly and was designed by Proactive Imaginations For Hire, a Haliburton based communications company. Over the past couple of months, Rails End volunteers and staff worked closely with designers, Jo and Richard McArthur, to ensure the application would satisfy the needs of artists applying to the event and showcase their works to the selection jury fairly and professionally.

Festival co-chairs, Jenn Wanless-Craig and Laurie Jones, say "the online application process is something we've talked about doing for a couple of years. We're getting a lot of positive feedback from the artists who say it's a real time-saver. Jo and Richard have done a super job."

Thinking of applying for 2012? Applicants should read and understand the guidelines before preparing their application. Guidelines and applications (online or on paper) are available now at www.railsendgallery.com.

Application deadline: Feb. 24, 2012.

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Info day to focus on new syrup technology

➤ Haliburton Kawartha Maple Syrup Producers Association welcomes everyone to annual day of learning

Winter might have been a little late arriving in our part of Ontario, but maple syrup producers already are starting to think about spring.

Talk of the sweet days to come will fill the Buckhorn Community Centre on Friday, Jan. 27, for the Annual General Meeting and Information Day of the Haliburton-Kawartha Maple Syrup Producers Association.

It will be a chance for producers to swap ideas with one

another and with dealers and to listen to the latest news from experts and the wisdom of long-time sugar-makers.

The day-long meeting starts at 9 a.m. and is open to the public. Anybody interested in learning more about maple syrup is welcome.

The Haliburton-Kawartha local is a unit of the Ontario Maple Syrup Producers Association with members in Haliburton and Peterborough counties, Durham Region and the city of Kawartha Lakes.

The morning highlight will be a presentation by Todd Leuty, Agroforestry Specialist for the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. Leuty will report on the latest research on the impact of climate change on the industry along with research results from the annual conference of the International Maple Syrup Institute.

Just before lunch, which is included in the registration fee of \$20, dealer Dave Brackenridge of Millbrook will discuss tapping and tools, clarifying the equipment choices facing producers.

Much of the afternoon will be taken up with a discussion of new technology that speeds up the evaporation process. Moderator Jim Moore of Janetville will steer a panel of Paul Harder of Sunderland, Clarence Kennedy of Omeme, Brad McCamus of Cavan, Carl McKeiver of Peterborough and Steve Bedard of manufacturer Lapierre/Waterloo Small.

Deadline for registration is Jan. 22. To sign up, contact Sam McLean at 705-657-2134 or 705-657-1630 or smclean@mcleanberryfarm.com or Neil Campbell at 705-457-7158 or neilcampbell@xplornet.ca.

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Eligible applicants must be a resident of the City of Kawartha Lakes or the County of Haliburton and be at least 18 year of age.

Experience in serving on the board of a non-profit agency is preferred.

Applications may be obtained from the office of the Corporation at the address below, or from Haliburton County at 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario.

Applications are to be submitted by January 20, 2012.

Applicants are asked to submit their applications and any supporting information such as a resume to:

Hope Lee, Secretary
Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton Housing Corporation
322 Kent Street West, P.O. Box 2600
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(705) 324-6401 ext. 3102

Applicants selected for an interview may be requested to provide references and a police check.

Barbecue stolen from Cardiff Lake Road home

On Monday, Jan. 2, the Bancroft detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police responded to the report of a theft from a residence on Cardiff Lake Road in Highlands East.

Sometime between Dec. 15 and 30, a barbecue was stolen from the property.

Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the Bancroft OPP at 613-332-2112 or CRIMESTOP-PERS at 1-800-222-8477.

Car/deer collisions

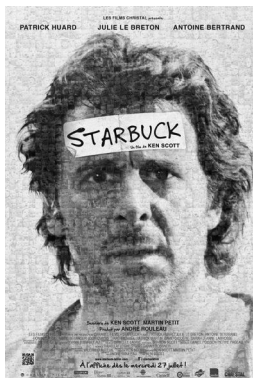
During the week of Jan. 2 to 8, the Bancroft OPP responded to seven car/deer collisions in the Bancroft detachment area. The collisions occurred on South Baptiste Lake Road, Highway 118 in Highlands East, Highway 62, Hwy. 28 in Highlands East and Hwy. 28 in Bancroft. All the collisions were property damage only.



HALIBURTON MOVIE NIGHTS

Thursday, Jan 12/12:

STARBUCK



This 2011 comedy from Quebec, with its highly unlikely premise, somehow manages to deliver the laughs while offering some truly poignant moments. Considering its subject matter... former sperm donor slacker learns he has fathered 533 children, the comedy never digresses into juvenile bathroom humour. Starring Patrick Huard (**Bon Cop, Bad Cop**) and Julie LeBreton (**The Rocket**). French with English subtitles.

Rated 14A - 103 min

Coming next.... Thursday, Feb 9/12: MIDNIGHT IN PARIS

2 shows - 4:15 & 7:15 - Tickets \$8.00 at the door
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More info: www.haliburton-movies.com

community calendar

What's happening in the County

Post your event for free on the web. Go to: www.mindentimes.ca or

to the  Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca

OEYC Minden & Haliburton re-opening on January 9. Starting January 2012, we will open at 9 am and close at 12:30 pm.

Jan 5 - Feb 25 Evidence at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery 176 Bobcaygeon Rd. Minden

Opening reception Saturday, January 14 at 1pm This is a group exhibition featuring photographers Ryan Szulc and Darren Lum exploring the role of photography today. Is the ultimate role of photography to document? Does society hold it as the true witness of our time? How much do we trust it? If it has become abused by technology is it just 'eye-candy' or is this what we as a society will be historically known as? This exhibition moves from shocking to stark realities that pull the viewer through a myriad of emotions. Laurie Carmount curator, 705-286-3763 gallery@mindenhills.ca, www.mindenculturalcentre.com

Jan 11: MINDEN: Meet the Nurse 10 am to noon, Ontario Early Years Centre. Parents with children up to age six years can meet with a Public Health Nurse. The nurse can weigh the baby, provide breastfeeding support, screen for speech concerns and discuss infant care, growth and development and other parental concerns. Call (705) 457-1391 for more information.

Jan 11: The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild is meeting at 1 pm at the Stanhope Community Centre featuring a trunk show by Judith Cole. If you wish to make placemats or wonky coasters come prepared at 10 am. For information call Pat Stiver (705) 489-3751

Jan 15 : Razzamataz Kids Shows! - Motus O Dance Theatre presents "Circus Terrifico" 2:00 pm- Northern Lights Pavilion We meet 3 circus performers boarding the train to their next show. A case of vanishing tickets, however, thwarts their plans and strands them on the platform. It takes every trick in the book (and their suitcases) to create an impromptu show to raise money for new tickets. Performed with the signature Motus O physicality and humour, see for yourself how a little magic, some juggling, tight-rope walking and fortune-telling can fulfill every child's fantasy to 'run off and join the circus' Contact: Dawn Hurd, Chairperson - 705-455-9435

Jan 19 : Canadian Federation of University Women-Haliburton Highlands. Join us for our January meeting at 1:00 pm in the Roberts Room of the Dysart Library in Haliburton. Mike Jaycock and guests will be speaking on the exciting events at the Haliburton Creative Incubator, Year 2. All women are invited to join us and learn about our club. For more info call 705-489-4884 or 705-447-2402.

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Jan 19th Everyone is Invited to the Retirement Tea for Donna MacDonald. From 2 pm to 4 pm at the Community Care Drop in Centre at 82 Maple Avenue. Please RSVP 705-457-2941 or at info@communitycarehaliburton.com

Jan 28- March 17: Opening reception Saturday January 28 2-4 pm SCENE/SEEN in Haliburton: Rails End Gallery Members' Salon Exhibition Enjoy the "Haliburton scene" and check out this group exhibition in the salon style. Cast your vote for the Peoples Choice Award and see work by over 50 talented local artists in a wide range of media. Gallery hours Wed - Sat 11-5 23 York St. Haliburton Village www.railsendgallery.com 457-2330

- **Highland's Hand weavers & Spinners Guild** meet at the Zion United Church, Carnarvon on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1:30pm For more information call Marian Gillanders at 705-489-3574
- **Toast Masters** meet at the Minden United Church Wednesdays at 7pm Everyone Welcome ages 18 - 80
- **Royal Canadian Legion Minden Branch 636** The public is invited to enjoy a great lunch menu at the Minden Legion (corner of Hwy #35 and County Rd. #21) from Monday to Friday with a meat draw every Wednesday at noon and speciality fish & chips on the fourth Friday of each month. Every Friday evening we also offer a great fish & chip dinner from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis**. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be emailed to jmceathron@mindentimes.ca or brought in to the office.

Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.

NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

Have you completed Dysart's culture survey yet?

Please contribute to the Dysart et al Municipal Cultural Plan. Deadline to complete survey is Jan. 13.

Your ideas and input matter.

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Hard copies of the survey are available at the Dysart municipal office, the Haliburton County Public Library - Dysart Branch, Fleming College - Haliburton School of The Arts, and the Rails End Gallery.

Completed surveys will be accepted until Jan. 13.

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For more information or to register for the community

visioning session please contact:

Patricia Martin, director of planning and development, Municipality of Dysart et al by calling 705-457-1740 or by email at pmartin@dysartetal.ca.

Coming Events



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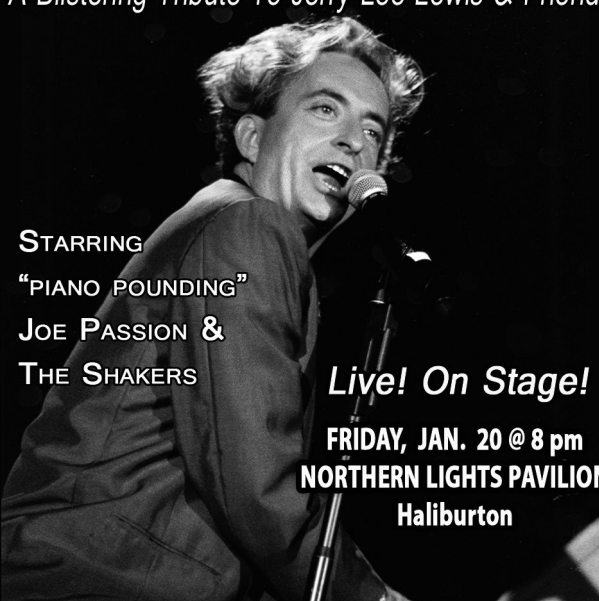
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Highlands Summer Festival 2012

AUDITION CALL

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The Highlands Summer Festival invites actors between the ages of 11 to 65, of both genders, to audition for the 2012 summer theatre season. This year's productions include:

- Colours in the Storm
 - Within Reach
- Arsenic and Old Lace
- Steel Magnolias

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(some productions include singing and dancing),
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For more information contact Executive Producers
David Mills and Betty Mills at 705-457-9933

Consider an alternative to winter deer feeding

Mike Grinnell

Special to the *Echo*

It's a cold night with a full moon and stars overhead. I'm thinking about deer and I sometimes wonder how they survive in this beautiful but harsh environment. And while I realize they are born into it, there's something that concerns me.

It's not the deep, crusty snow, bitter cold or predatory wolves.

I'm thinking about the needless loss of deer I saw last year due to man.

While man isn't a predator and may intend goodwill to the deer, he has a practice that I seriously question: winter deer feeding.

A practice that is not needed and is definitely not in the best interest of the deer.

Several years ago, a herd of more than a dozen deer stayed on the northwest shore of our lake. Cottagers returning in the spring saw ground hemlock with no needles, ornamental trees stripped of their greenery, gardens dug up and cedar trees severely browsed.

What is interesting was that herd of more than a dozen deer was not fed by anyone and all the deer survived a brutal winter without any deaths.

My own experience from watching deer that winter helped me understand why people feed: the deer are absolutely fascinating to watch and they provide a winter past time. People I know who feed deer say they are helping the deer by feeding them. And frequent visitors to their properties are often given names.

In wondering if it's legal to feed deer, I did some research and found out that in the province of Ontario, there is no legislation to prevent people from feeding deer near highways.

Given the absence of that legislation, there are some municipalities in northwestern Ontario with bylaws to stop personal deer feeding.

Those municipalities acknowledge that feeding deer is harmful to the animal and dangerous for passing cars.

Feeding deer on your property may seem like an innocent and generous activity, but in reality it is not. In fact there are serious consequences:

- Deer will travel great distances to get to food, often crossing highways. This means accidents waiting to happen and last year, there were several car related



Feeding deer on your property may seem like an innocent and generous activity, but in reality it isn't. There are serious consequences. Reg Clayton QMI Agency

deer deaths in my area. The deer were either killed by cars or injured to the point that they couldn't escape predation.

- Feeding attracts a concentration of wolves that will kill deer on the paths leading to and from a feeding area.
- Feeding concentrates the deer, and can lead to habitat overeating and aggression. Feeding the wrong kind of food can cause digestive problems, possibly leading to death. Because the deer are concentrated at feeders, there is also a high risk of parasitic infestation and disease.
- Deer adapt to winter survival by reducing their activity and food intake. This causes a reduction in the deer's metabolism which means less energy is required to sustain the deer. Introducing artificial foods, which tend to increase the deer's metabolism, causes an increase in energy demands. This can be detrimental to their survival should there not be enough food for them or should they have inadequate fat supplies.
- Observations conducted by the Minden MNR since 2001 indicate that deer have all but abandoned the area's largest traditional winter yarding areas in Minden Hills and have migrated to areas where people are actively winter feeding along the Highway 35 corridor from Halls Lake to Gull Lake, increasing the likelihood of motor vehicle accidents and increasing the likelihood of deer falling through thin ice on lakes while attempting to get to feeders. To me, that means there could be other effects on the deer: they will lose the protection of their yards in cold and inclement weather; their demographics will change and indeed they may eventually face genetic changes; and they will develop a dependency on man that will fail them when he moves away or stops feeding them.

To learn more about the consequences of winter deer feeding, you can find information by doing Google searches on the "perils of winter deer feeding."

You can go to the following excellent websites hosted by the MNR: www.mnr.gov.on.ca/en/Business/FW/2ColumnSubPage/289999.html and www.mnr.gov.on.ca/en/Business/FW/2ColumnSubPage/277348.html.

People must realize that deer are wild animals that will find food and survive in the bush under normal winter conditions. The deer do not have to be fed and are best left to find their own food and fend for themselves.

If the winter should become so severe as to threaten deer survival, help is available under the auspices of the MNR.

The MNR has a program in place in Ontario to implement emergency deer feeding.

Within this program, MNR Districts focus on creating and maintaining trails in core wintering areas so that deer can move more freely and have more access to natural food sources.

The correct deer food can also be provided. If additional resources are needed, the MNR can involve local fish and game clubs as well as draw upon its partner the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters.

In order to monitor the severity of our winters, the MNR has stations across Ontario where snow conditions are monitored.

And while its Bancroft District has several stations, two are located locally with one station at Haliburton Lake and one station in Minden Hills, south of Highway 118.

With the ongoing monitoring and the above program in existence, people need not be concerned about deer access to proper food.

When the winter is deemed threatening to the deer, the MNR will declare an emergency deer feeding situation and take action.

Given that there are so many negative factors and risks involved in the feeding of deer and given that the MNR monitors winter severity and will activate a program to help the deer when needed it makes no sense for people to feed deer on their property and endanger deer herds.

When the weather becomes severe, clubs, groups, and individuals can better help the deer by contacting their local MNR office to verify the severity of the winter and volunteer their assistance in alternative solutions.

Technical information in this article has been generously provided by Gerry Moraal, area biologist, of the MNR Minden area office.

You may contact him at 705-286-5226, if you have any questions on winter deer feeding.

Notices

The County of Haliburton



NOTICE

The Council of the County of Haliburton will be discussing the draft 2012 budget at their regularly scheduled Council meeting on
 Wednesday, January 25, 2012
 in the County Council Chambers at
 11 Newcastle St., Minden.
 At this time Council will also amend the
 County Fee Bylaw
 The public is invited to attend.

Harcourt woman celebrates 90th

Wilberforce

Hilda Clark

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Amidst the other festivities of the season, the Pacey family in Harcourt had an extra special reason to get together and be joyful. Leola Pacey celebrated her 90th birthday on Dec. 27.

She was delighted to have family members home for Christmas and her birthday. That included Donna (John) MacDonald, Doug (Lynell) Pacey from Florida, Doris (John) Meharrie from British Columbia, grandson Keegan from Sudbury, granddaughter Tina, and great grandsons Ryan and Daniel.

Though not feeling "up" for a really big public celebration Leola did enjoy a fine dinner party the family arranged at the South Algonquin Cookhouse. May we add our best wishes to Leola for a happy year with much improved health.

The annual general meeting of the Wilberforce Heritage Guild will be held on Monday, Jan. 23 at the Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost Historic House beginning at 6:30 p.m. The public is invited as well as Heritage Guild members.

Robert "Bob" Taylor, a WWII navy veteran died on Thursday, Dec. 29 at the Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay. He was 87. Though his home and work were in the Peterborough area, Wilberforce was always part of Bob's life. His youth before joining the navy was spent here. He and his family enjoyed their cottage on Dark Lake and visiting with

relatives here.

He was predeceased by his sister Eileen Agnew, and brothers Bill and Fred.

Sympathy is extended to his wife Marianne, his children Elizabeth (Paul) Tremere, Susan (Jerome) Morrissey, Ruth, Erick (Laura) and Thomas (Janet), his sister Elsie Henigman, his many grandchildren and all of his family and friends.

A funeral service was held at the Nisbett Funeral Home in Peterborough on Tuesday, Jan. 3.

We wish a speedy recovery for Harold Alden, who in a recent accident with his snow blower, injured fingers on one hand.

There will be a loonie lunch at St. Margaret's Anglican Church at noon on Thursday, Jan. 19. It features a choice of soup with bread, dessert, coffee and tea for a loonie or whatever you can afford to donate. Proceeds go to outreach. Little low on cash? Come anyway.

To add the comprehensive recollections of major events in 2011 we would add the very well organized and successful Doors Open program held in Highlands East communities in June. This event brought many visitors from within and outside the county to discover interesting sites here.

It was good to be reminded of the 100th anniversary celebrations for the Wilberforce School held in April with a fine photo of school board officials. If programs celebrating this major milestone were carried on at the school throughout 2011 recognition of the event was mentioned in the school's June closing exercises or the December concert.

Play pool on Fridays

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Weekly Events – Jan. 9 to 15

Monday	Bid Euchre	7 p.m.
Tuesday	General Meeting	7 p.m.
Wednesday	Darts	7:30 p.m.
Friday	Pool	1:30 p.m.
	Jam Session	7 p.m. – Everyone welcome to play and listen to great music.
Saturday	Meat Draw	2 p.m.

Upcoming Events

Saturday, Jan. 21 – Robbie Burns Dinner \$12 per person – Piper and Highland Dancers

Saturday, Jan. 28 – Pat and Phyllis Gallen Memorial Lake Trout Ice Fishing Derby. Register at the Legion before Jan 28 or at the Fishes Lunch Box by 10 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 28.

Recent Events

The New Year's Eve celebration was a tremendous success. It was sold out.

It would appear that the Lloyd Watson Community Centre was the perfect location as it allowed a lot of folk to walk to the party and home again. Although some people expressed a preference for the Legion branch location, overall the choice of LWC this year proved a success. It allowed more people to attend and the convenience to the village certainly contributed to its success. Well done, all!

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Congratulations to Glen and Geraldine Sawyer

West Guilford

Eleanor Cooper

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A truly lovely evening of celebration was held on Dec. 30 on the 50th wedding anniversary of Grenville and Ila Griffin. The community centre was still decorated for Christmas, and flowers and balloons were added for the special occasion. Beautiful refreshments were offered for the many guests who kept coming throughout the evening. Guests signed the book which was the original one

used by Ila and Grenville 50 years ago. Ila's wedding gown (which she says still fits her!) was also on display – a dream of satin and appliqued lace. The band which entertained included Terry and Karl Upton, Jeff Barry and his brother-in-law, Paul Holmes, Babe and Bob Long.

Grenville and Ila's son, Ed, was there for his parents celebration and many relatives and friends including Lottie Ruttan and Neil and Eve Griffin. All of us wish this fine couple many more years of love and happiness.

In sad contrast we have to report the passing of a very dear friend and cousin to much

of the Guilford population. Marilyn Gibbon died on Monday, Jan. 2 at the Haliburton Hospital after a long fight with cancer. Her funeral was held at the Haliburton Funeral Home and reception held in the lower hall of the community centre. I shall miss a fellow bookworm who shared my love of Dick Francis in particular. Despite the weather, friends and relatives came to Marilyn's funeral and reception after from Toronto: Barb Shepard and her brother, Doug Woodcock and from Fort Erie, Spencer Sisson; from Oshawa Sheila Neil Reynolds from Woodstock, Eleanor and Rick Poole. Paul

Sheridan and Keith and Jackie Sheridan represented the Maizie (Sisson) Sheridan part of the family as well.

Brenda is most appreciated of all this support during this time of her sister's funeral.

To turn to happier news, Congratulations to Glen and Geraldine Sawyer on the occasion last weekend of their 66th wedding anniversary!

Euchre scores: Liz Jesseman and Perry Morrison scored highest and Ed Muenzel and Ray Campbell were lowest. Most lone hands went to Norma Geddes and Gerald Hadley.

Notices



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NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

- **DATE:** Monday February 6th, 2012
- **TIME:** 5:00 pm.
- **LOCATION:** Council Chambers at the Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:

1. Lands of Sisson:

- Purpose and Effect: the proposed by-law will change the zone on the subject lands to permit the conversion of a residential dwelling to a semidetached dwelling. All existing permitted uses will continue to be permitted.
- Zone change from "RU1L" to "RU1L-xx"
- The existing EP zone is not affected by this application.
- Location: Lot 12, Concession 5, Township of Guilford (Pine Lake Road).

2. Lands of Letourneau:

- Purpose and Effect: the proposed by-law will change the zone on the subject lands to permit their use for Rural Residential purposes. A 30 metre front lot line setback will apply. All other provisions of the RR zone will apply.
- Zone change from "RU1" to "RR-10"
- This is a condition of application for consent H-049/11.
- Location: Part Lot 21, Concession 6, Township of Dysart (Burkes Road).

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Municipality of Dysart et al before the proposed zoning by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Municipality of Dysart et al to the Ontario Municipal Board.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Municipality of Dysart et al before the proposed zoning by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

FURTHER INFORMATION: including the draft by-law is available from the Planning Department at the Municipality Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Dated at the Township of Dysart, this 10th day of January, 2012.

Patricia Martin, B.E.S., MCIP, RPP
Director of Planning and Development



More than \$1 million raised

Tom Prentice, left, and Jim McMahon of the Haliburton Highlands Time Traveller's Car Club present Judy Skinner, president of the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary. The club raises money mainly through the 50/50 draw it holds during a show in Minden on Canada Day. The auxiliary raises money to purchase equipment not covered in the hospital's budget. In the past 40 years, it has raised more than \$1 million.

Chad Ingram Staff



AN INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A VISIONING SESSION FOR THE DYSART MUNICIPAL CULTURAL PLAN

The Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Dysart et al invites interested persons to participate in a visioning session for the Dysart Municipal Cultural Plan. This is an economic development plan, which is focused on arts, culture and heritage. The approved plan will be implemented through the actions of the Municipality and supported and advanced by the actions of our community partners and stakeholders.

Date: Thursday, January 19th, 2012
Time: 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Location: The Great Hall, Fleming College
1297 College Drive
Haliburton, Ontario

To participate in this session, please pre-register with the Municipality prior to **Friday January 13th, 2012**, by calling 705-457-1740.

For further information, please contact Patricia Martin, Director of Planning and Development, during regular office hours (8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday).

Storm were unable to tie game

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give the Storm a 2-0 lead after the first period. In the second period Angus Sullivan scored to increase the lead to three with Jayden Wood and John Morrison drawing the assists. Drew VanLieshout finished off the scoring and once again Morrison assisted giving the call up from the Peewee Storm a nice two point night. Austin McKay picked up the shutout and the win.

On Sunday the Storm faced Port Carling in Minden. The home team found themselves down two goals part way through the second period when the comeback began. Damon Winder got things started when he poked home a Lucas Esson rebound. Hunter Bishop scored next. He stole the face off in the offensive zone, beat the defender and then the goalie and the game was tied 2-2. Bishop also had a hand in the next goal. Angus Sullivan sent the puck into the half boards for Bishop who then sent a perfect pass to Jayden Wood and his slap shot found the back of the net. Unfortunately for the Storm the Wings scored twice in the third to go ahead 4-3. Despite some solid pressure the Storm were unable to tie the game and went down to defeat 4-3. Cole Finlay played well in between the pipes but still took the loss.

Submitted by Doug Sullivan

Atom As face Otters in Minden

As we enter our final week of our regular season, we find ourselves playing four final games this week and one game next week.

On Tuesday Jan. 3 we faced off against Bracebridge for our fourth and final time, we won that game 4-0. We shut them out this season beating them all 4 of the scheduled regular season games. Great job boys.

Our next two games that week were against the Gravenhurst Flames the first game was a win of 8-2. We played them again two days later and won 7-0. This gives Carson Sisson another shutout for this season. Which gave us a 6-0 game sweep against them this winter as well. Sunday we played Parrysound for our last time this regular season and lost by a score of 3-1. It was a big week for our boys racking up a bunch of points each were, Benn MacNaull with eight, Nik Dollo with eight, Austin French with four, Shawn Walker with two, Ethan Glecoff with two, Zach Morissette with five, Lucas Haedicke with four, Owen Gilbert with seven, and Luke Hunter with eleven. All earned in a 4four game spread.

With this week done we find ourselves with only one more regular season game left on Tuesday night in Minden at 7:30 p.m. vs the Huntsville Otters, please

come and help us cheer our boys on.

Submitted by Joanne Sisson

Peewee As win exhibition game

Well, with the end of the regular season, Dr. Ed Smolen Family Dentistry sponsored Peewee As travelled Jan. 7 to Peterborough for an exhibition game which they won 11-1. Then it was the turn around visit to Parry Sound Jan. 8 for our final two games with the Shamrocks to mark the end of the regular season. The first game at 11 a.m. saw the Storm a little "sleepy", possibly from the early morning travel, and a loss of 6-0 would hopefully wake them up for the second game at 3 p.m. The Storm boys did not disappoint with the second game. It was a fast game with a little jostling but the Storm came out on top at the end. The points started off in the first period with a goal by Kyle Cooper assisted by Greg Crofts, then Parry Sound answered with two of their own. In the second period the scoring was continued by Max MacNaull assisted by Greg Crofts and Jake Bull only to have Parry Sound make it 3-2. But that did not stop our boys, Max MacNaull scored again making it 3-3. A later play saw the puck shot down to the Shamrocks end, their goalie came out of crease to play the puck, three Shamrock players also headed back to clear the puck only to have Greg Crofts hot on their heels (skates), they did not manage to clear the puck and the goalie missed too and was unable to make it back to his crease, but Greg did not miss and scored another goal for the team. Nearing the end of the third period the Shamrocks pulled their goalie for an extra man, but the Storm had gather momentum and Matt Wilbee scored an empty netter. That was not the end, with their goalie back in net, a sudden flurry of activity in front of their net and the Highland Storm had scored again, a goal by Greg Crofts. Final score was 6-3 for the Storm. A decent end to the regular season. We will now wait and see who and when we play in the OMHA playdowns and also the Muskoka- Parry Sound Playoffs, which usually start mid January. Thank you to everyone for your support and we will let you know our playoff schedule when we do.

Submitted by Karena Crofts

Bantam B girls travel to Huntsville

The Minden Car Quest Bantam B Highland Storm girls hockey team played four road games during the recent school winter break. The Storm girls took on the first place team from Lindsay in a late game start against the

tough Lynx squad on Dec. 28. A late season slow schedule and some "turkey" legs showed in the Highland Storm girls' effort. The game was a see-saw battle with numerous penalties giving each opposition a chance to put the contest away. Solid goal-tending at both ends kept each team in the game until the end of the tied contest. Cassidy Garbutt scored the lone Storm marker. The Storm squad rebounded the next night with a much improved effort on the road in Keene Dec. 29. Connor Marsden secured her sixth shut-out of the season in the 3-0 win over the Otonabee Wolverines. Balanced scoring came from Erica Carmount (her first snipe of the year) in the first period and Erin Little and Sydney Feir chipping in with singles in the second period. The Storm Bantam B looked like a totally different team on the ice with their aggressive forechecking, strong defensive zone play and improving puck movement to create scoring chances. The new year showed promise as the Storm girls travelled to Ennismore on Jan. 3 to take on the always tough Eagles. The Minden Car Quest squad continued their strong team play and defeated Ennismore 4-1 in their third road evening game. Highlights in the contest included a penalty shot stop by Connor Marsden to keep the game at 3-1, followed by Kelsey Maracle who scored shortly after to create a 3 goal buffer to preserve the win. Erin Little tallied with 2 goals and Cassidy Garbutt adding a single. On Sunday, Jan 8, the Bantam B girls continued their undefeated road schedule over the winter school break with a win over the Peterborough Ice Kats. The Ice Kats jumped out to an early 1-0 lead in the first period.

The Storm girls battled hard but were unable to solve the Peterborough net-minder until the last minute of the second period where Erin Little slipped a squeaker into the net on the short side. The Highland Storm squad picked up their level of play in the third and put two more past the Ice Kat goalie to secure the win. Both Sydney Feir and Erin Little (her second of the night) finished off nice rushes to round out the scoring in the 3-0 victory.

The win moved the Highland Storm Minden Car Quest Bantam B girls into first place for the time being. The league has a tight race between the Storm, Lindsay and Whitby all vying for the first place finish. The last three games of the season for the Storm squad will be playoff building contests, which will be scheduled for Feb. The girls travel to Huntsville this weekend to participate in their second tournament of the year, and then finish with two home games in Haliburton against Whitby on Jan. 21 at 4:30 p.m. and Keene on Jan. 22 at 3 p.m. Keep building Storm girls as we focus for a playoff prize.

Submitted by Dan Marsden



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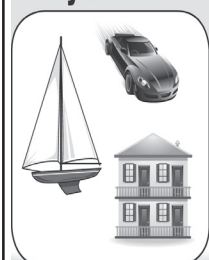
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Adult Protective Services Worker

We continue to look for an Adult Protective Services Worker (APSW) to join our Haliburton office. The current position is for 21 hours per week with benefits. As an APSW, you will be providing case management and advocacy supports to assist adults with a developmental disability live as independently as possible. You will develop support networks by collaborating with individuals, their families and other community partners to identify individual goals and support the development of life skills. You will be assisting these individuals to safeguard their rights and access community supports.

Applicants should have successfully completed an undergraduate degree in Social Science and have previous Case Management experience in developmental services. A strong knowledge of relevant legislation and local community resources along with a developed network is an extremely valuable asset. This position also requires you have a valid driver's license, insurance and access to a reliable vehicle.

You work week is 21 hours with benefits and competitive remuneration. Continued employment will be based on successful completion of a probationary period, available funding and satisfactory performance. We operate in an inclusive and scent free environment.

Interested applicants are asked to submit a resume and cover letter to the attention of the HR Coordinator, at hr@tccss.org quoting position APSW Haliburton by the new extended date of January 15, 2012. Thank you to those who have already applied, we will be in contact with the successful candidates after the 15th. While we thank all applicants for their interest, please refrain from calling as we will be contacting those candidates who will be invited to participate in the selection process.



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ST. PIERRE, Gerald

77 years, passed away with his loving family by his side on January 1, 2012 at Hotel Dieu Grace Hospital, Windsor. Beloved husband of 57 years to Lucille (nee LeBoeuf). Loving father of Robert and wife Cindee, Denis and wife Debbie, Marcel and Renee St. Pierre. Cherished Pepe to Nicole, Monique, Nigel, Daniel, Shaun, Lauren and Carly. Dear brother to Laurette Barrette and husband Luc, the late Rene St. Pierre and wife Darlene and Annabelle Pike and her late husband Gene. Gerald was a retired school teacher, having taught at General Amherst High School (Amherstburg) for 35 years. Also, Gerald was an active volunteer with Meals on Wheels and the St. Vincent de Paul Society having served as President. Visiting will be held at James H. Sutton Funeral Home (401 Sandwich St. South, Amherstburg 519-736-2134) on Wednesday from 2-5 pm & 7-9 pm. Parish prayers at 8 pm. Online condolences may be left at www.jhsutton-funeral.ca

Thank You Cards

A Heartfelt Thank You

To family, friends, staff at the Minden Hospital, Dr. Wu, EMS, Minden Firefighters and my ASES family. Your love, care, compassion and support with flowers, cards, donations, food, phone calls and visits were overwhelming. A big thank you to Susan Bain and group for your love and support. Thank you also to Kirsten, Barry and Sarah at Gord Monks and Rev. Bev Hicks for all their compassion, care and support. Everyone and everything was greatly appreciated. Family of the late Les Hogg

*A million times I've needed you
A million times I've cried,
If love could have saved you
You never would have died.
Things we feel most deeply
Are the hardest things to say,
My dearest one, I loved you,
In a very special way.
If I could have one lifetime wish
One dream that could come true,
I'd pray to God with all my heart
For yesterday and you.*

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Viola Scott and Family would like to express their deep appreciation to all of those who supported us in the loss of a dear husband, father and grandfather, **Archie Edward Scott**, on December 22, 2011. It was of great comfort to have your support during Archie's illness, as well as receive your phone calls, condolences, visits and goodies. A very special thank you to Dr Coles; the doctors and nurses at both Minden and Haliburton Emergency Departments; and the nurses at the acute care in Haliburton hospital who all took such wonderful care of our special Pop-pa. We take great comfort in remembering your kindness and your support during the past few months.

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Deaths

DEAN, Brian Douglas - Passed away peacefully at the Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden on Friday, December 30, 2011. In his 65th year. Beloved son of the late Mark and Vera Dean (nee Watt). Brother of Peter and his wife Brigitte. Fondly remembered by his family and friends. Friends are invited to St. George's Anglican Church, Haliburton on Wednesday, January 4, 2012 from 10:00 am until the time of the Funeral Service at 11:00 am. Spring Interment at Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. Memorial Donations to the St. George's Anglican Church, Haliburton would be appreciated by the family. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

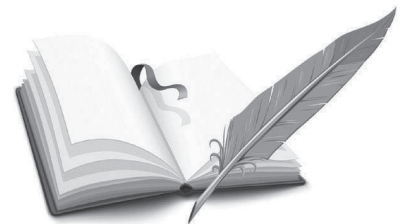
Del Greco: James Wesley (Veteran WWII RCAF)
Peacefully at Haliburton Highlands Hospital On Saturday December 24th, 2011. James "Jim" Del Greco in is 95th year, dearly beloved husband of Marjorie "Marge" Lampard. Loving father of Peter and Muriel of Woodstock, Carolyn and Bob of Tottenham, and Jim and Wendy of Thornton. Remembered with love by his grandchildren: Kim (Toni), Angela, Tracey, Lisa, Jayme, and seven great-grandchildren. The family received friends at Rod Abrams Funeral Home, 1666 Tottenham Road, Tottenham 905-936-3477 on December 29, 2011 until time of Legion service at 2:45pm. Funeral serviced followed in the chapel. Internment Fraser Presbyterian Cemetery. Donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

Deaths

HICKS, WANDA (nee Miller) - Passed away peacefully at Georgian Bay General Hospital, Penetanguishene on Tuesday January 3rd, 2012 in her 94th year. Beloved wife of the late Everett Hicks. Loving mother of Terry (Wendy) Hicks, Maureen (Lew) Parsons, Randy (Cathy) Hicks, Brent (Sherry) Hicks and Shane (Elly) Hicks. Cherished grandmother of 18 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren. Dear sister of Phyllis Howell, Kay Brown, Elsie Strachan and predeceased by Winfield Miller, Lennie Crawford and Shirley Carr. Visitation was held at the Nicholls Funeral Home, 330 Midland Avenue, Midland on Friday January 6th from 12 noon until till of funeral service in the chapel at 2 p.m. Spring interment at Ingoldsby Pioneer Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to Unity United Church or to the Heart & Stroke Foundation would be appreciated.

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Marilyn Gibbon

(Resident of West Guilford, Ontario)

Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Monday January 2, 2012 in her 61st year after a battle with Cancer. Loving daughter of the late Joseph and Iris Gibbon (nee Sisson). Loving sister of Brenda Cowie (Steve) of Burlington. Dear aunt of Samantha and Sean Cowie. Also lovingly remembered by her two godsons Michael and Nicholas Chumbley and by her extended family including her many honorary nieces and nephews. Marilyn was a bookkeeper in Haliburton Community for many years after moving here from Toronto. She was an avid reader and enjoyed sports and living in West

Guilford on Pine Lake. Marilyn made the best chocolate chip cookies.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Saturday afternoon, January 7, 2012 from 2 o'clock until time of Funeral Service in the Chapel at 3 o'clock. Interment later **St. Peter's Anglican Church Cemetery**, Maple Lake. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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Gina Salvatori (nee Eleuteri)

(Resident of Haliburton Lake, Ontario)

Peacefully, surrounded by her children and grandchildren at Southlake Regional Health Centre in Newmarket, on Friday, December 30, 2011, at the age of 93. Predeceased by her beloved husband Frank, (1984), and loving son Evo, (2007). Loving mother of Eva & Warren Cresswell and daughter-in-law Judy. Very proud and loving nonna of Melissa & Travis, Amanda & Dan, Scott & Kimberly, and Nadia. Adoring bis-nonna to Nathan, Vanessa, Kate, Kylee, Karissa, Victory, and predeceased by Aubree, (2008). Gina

was a loving sister-in-law, aunt, great aunt, and a true friend to many. She will be sadly missed, but her love will live on.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Family and friends may call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523, Hwy #118, Haliburton, Ontario from 3 -7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 4, 2012. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated at **ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH** 27 Victoria Street, Haliburton, Ontario, on Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 12 noon. As expressions of sympathy donations may be made to St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church or the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario and would be appreciated by the family.

Lord, thank you so much for the gift of Gina. She taught us to love unconditionally, take care of each other, and always forgive. You have blessed her with a wonderful life, and for this, we are grateful. Her memory fills our heart with Your love, our lives with Your peace, and our homes with Your joy. Amen

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Earl Johnston

(Resident of Gooderham, Ontario)

Peacefully with his family by his side at Extendicare-Haliburton on Friday evening, January 6, 2012 in his 91st year. Beloved husband of Mary Johnston (nee Dewey). Dear brother of Florence Byers of Florida. Lovingly remembered by Dan (Marilyn) Sayers of Gooderham. Also fondly remembered by his

step grandchildren Andrew and Christopher and by his step great grandson Trent. Earl lived and worked in Oshawa for General Motors on the Assembly line for many years. Once he retired, he returned to the Gooderham area where he enjoyed many years with his wife Mary. Earl will be sadly missed by many.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209** on Tuesday afternoon, January 10, 2012 from 1 o'clock until time of Funeral Service in the Chapel at 2 p.m. Interment later Glamorgan Cemetery, Gooderham. As expressions of sympathy donations to Extendicare - Proud Pioneers or a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

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Gordon E. Pierson

(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario and formerly of Oshawa)

Gordon Edgar Pierson on Eagle Lake, formerly of Oshawa Ontario, age 82, passed peacefully into God's care at 4:55 PM December 30th, 2011. Gord remained pain free and fought to stay with us as long as his body would permit him to. Son of the late William and Leta Pierson of Oshawa, Gord (Mountain Man) Pierson will be missed deeply by the love of his life and wife of 57 years, Doris Pierson, his children, son Jim Pierson (wife Helen), daughter Leslie Currie (husband David), daughter Suzanne McKechnie (husband Walt), daughter

Jane Williston and his 8 grandchildren Will, Jon, Sean, Erin, Tatum, Hunter, Sarah, Carter and extended family Katie and Shannon McKechnie and David Cox. Survived by his brother Jack of Aurora (formerly of Oshawa) and his sister Elinore Guest of Oshawa. Gord leaves the legacy of a life well lived. A GM employee of 39 years, Gord served as a Steward on the Board of Kingsview United Church, (Oshawa), Gord was a King Scout and served on the Board of Directors for Camp Samac (Oshawa), a former Master of Lebanon Masonic Lodge Oshawa, an avid skier and tennis player. Gord was a lifetime member of the Oshawa Ski Club, volunteering eight years on the Ski Patrol and for the past thirty seven years was a skier at Sir Sam's Ski Area in Haliburton. Gord will be missed by many.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Thursday January 5, 2012 from 1 - 4 p.m. A Memorial Service will be held in the Chapel on Friday morning, January 6, 2012 at 11 o'clock. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation or the Canadian Prostate Cancer Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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In memoriam

DAWSON HAMILTON

In loving memory of a dear grandson Dawson who passed away on January 10, 2010

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His memory in our daily lives,
Can never be erased.
He had a sense of humour,
And a sparkle in his eye,
He made us proud in many ways,
On that you could rely.
He had a smile for everyone,
A generous heart of gold,
To everyone who knew Dawson,
His memories will never grow old.*

Forever loved and missed,
Gramma and Grandpa Hamilton

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In memoriam

In Memory of Bill Scott -

2 Years have passed
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But we have sweet memories
Each of us can recall.
Always remembered
-grandchildren
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-Children
Always loved
-Wife

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SELBIE, AILEEN - In loving memory of a beloved Mother, Mother-in-law, Gram and Great Gram who passed away on January 8th, 2010.

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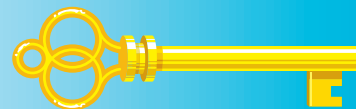
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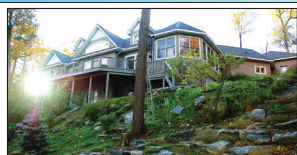
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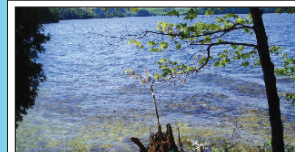
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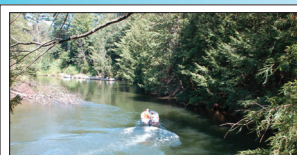
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\$89,900.

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FADER ROAD

Pretty building lot with deeded access to Maple Lake. Year rnd private rd. Hydro/phone available. Good location for cottage or home.

\$23,777.



WALK TO LAKE ACCESS

To the Long Lake public access. Super spot for cottage or home!

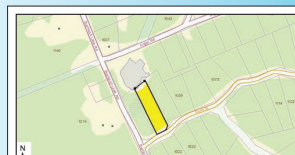
\$22,000.



GLAMOR LAKE ROAD

1 ac lot within walking distance to the lake. Yr rnd road. Hydro/phone available.

\$19,900.



NORTH ROAD

2.45 Ac building lot in Sir Sam's ski area. Good location for ski chalet, cottage or Year round home.

\$17,900.



WILBERFORCE

Very nice building lot in village, w/ 10' dock, 10' swim, 10' dock, 10' swim. Close to new Pharmacy!

\$25,000.

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ACREAGE TO BUILD OR PLAY	
Haliburton Lake Road - 15 Acres -	\$49,900.
Eagle Lake Road - 22.5 Acres -	\$38,900.
Sandy Bay Road - 35.9 Acres -	\$89,900.
Hwy 118 - 140 Acres -	\$179,000.
HWY 118 - 9 Acres Commercial Zoning -	\$129,000.

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